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SPECTACLES **Since I met you baby...**

PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01

Legend B. B. King played his soulful, animated blues and jazz blend to a full house Tuesday night in the Field House.

NAACP Chair Julian Bond to lecture tomorrow

by Lindy Roath '02
NEWS STAFF WRITER

As a part of the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center's focus on race and ethnicity, NAACP chairman Julian Bond will be presenting "Civil Rights - Then and Now," in the Chapel Friday, October 23, at 8 p.m.

Director of the Levitt Center and Associate Professor of Government Philip Klinkner stated that "Mr. Bond for decades has been one of the most prominent American civil rights leaders. The Levitt Center is truly honored to have him visit."

He will also be participating in a student seminar Friday afternoon. Participants were nominated by the Department of Government.

Bond has been an active participant in movements for civil rights, economic justice, and peace, as well as an aggressive spokesman for the disinherited for many years.

He was one of several hundred students from across the South who helped to form the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee on Easter Weekend, 1960. Soon after, he became SNCC's Communications Director, which entailed working in voter registration drives in rural Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, and Arkansas.

In 1966, the United States Supreme Court ruled unanimously to require the Georgia House of Representatives to allow Bond to take the seat that he had won three times but had been barred from because of his frank opposition to the war in Vietnam. He was elected to the State Senate in 1974, and when he left public office in 1987, Bond had been elected to public office more times than any other African-American Georgian, living or dead.

Bond is currently a professor in the History Department at the University of Virginia and a Distinguished Scholar in Residence

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Newman Council to host kids Trust Treat

SPECIAL TO THE SPECTATOR

One week from today, children will be arriving on campus to participate in the ninth annual Trust Treat. The Class of '92 established this event in memory of Eric Trust '92. Eric died unexpectedly on October 31, 1988, of a congenital heart disease.

Trust Treat was created by Aileen Slocum '92, and other students who were close to Eric, in remembrance of what he represented. According to his friends, he saw and appreciated the inner essence of people around him and had the ability to bring out the best in others. They felt the best way to keep this spirit alive was by bringing members of the community together to help others.

The first Trust Treat was held in 1989, and the tradition has continued each year since. This year Trust Treat will be held on Friday, October 30. During Trust Treat, students and other volunteers lead faculty/staff children and children from Utica, trick-or-treating to residence halls where students and members of different organizations are waiting with candy. In the past some private societies and residence halls have even created haunted houses.

Trust Treat is organized by members of the Newman Council, with funding from a variety of sources. Student Assembly contributes some, and the Senior Gift '92 established a fund which also contributes to the event.

Money from the Office of the Dean of Students is used to arrange a dinner for the tour guides before they embark on the trick-or-treating adventure. The Catholic Church of the Syracuse Diocese also helps to fund Trust Treat.

Trust Treat is an event that gives everyone at Hamilton a chance to pull together to provide a safe and happy environment for

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Anna Quindlen, author of *One True Thing*, to speak on campus

by Katherine Beaulier '01
NEWS STAFF WRITER

As part of an extensive endowed lecture series, the College will be receiving a writer who has done it all.

Anna Quindlen, former *New York Times* columnist and present full time writer with three best-selling novels to her name, will be lecturing to students and faculty about her experience as an author.

The lecture will be held Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the Chapel.

Quindlen has thrived in the world of the written word since early childhood. An avid reader from a very young age, Quindlan chose to pursue a career in journalism, which led to a Pulitzer Prize for Commentary in 1992. She is one of only three females to ever receive this award.

Quindlen's Pulitzer Prize brought her worldwide fame as a columnist. Her first novel, *Object Lessons*, (1991) brought her fame as a novelist as well. The success of her first novel was followed by two more moving pieces, *One True Thing* (1994), and most recently *Black and Blue* (1998).

Quindlen is extremely insightful and has a gift for relating true life through her words. All of

PHOTO COURTESY C & D

Author Anna Quindlen.

Quindlen's novels are exceptional in their ability to communicate to the reader. *One True Thing*, the story of an ailing mother and her relationship with her daughter, contains one of the emotional premises behind Quindlen's best sellers.

Her success is based largely on the empathy created by main characters. When asked about her ability to delineate such realistic and moving characters in a recent on-line interview with Random House Books, Quindlen responded, "I suppose, like all of the characters I've created in novels, I found her- and therefore her voice- in details."

Quindlen's intimate knowledge of her characters and her distinct literary style will enlighten other young writers Wednesday night. Through her Tolles Lecture, Quindlen will be able to relate experiences that all writers, young and old, can relate to.

Quindlen's arrival on campus is largely anticipated because of her talent and success. Very few novelists receive the praise and recognition they deserve, but Quindlan has been lucky in garnering the well-deserved

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Award-winning novelist Anna Quindlen to speak

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accolades befitting her work.

Her writing will now move from the pages of the newspaper and the novel, to the big screen in Paramount Pictures' adaptation of her second novel *One True Thing*. The movie version of her book, directed by Carl Franklin, stars Meryl Streep and Renee Zellweger and opened to audiences last month. The adaptable mediums of Quindlen's work prove its universal appeal and basic ability to communicate with people on a fundamentally emotional level. Her work is successful because it identifies emotions relevant to all our lives and unravels the stories of others who, in one way or another everyone is able to identify.

Quindlen will be presenting her lecture at 4:15 on Wednesday, October 28, in the Chapel. A book signing in Dwight Lounge will follow the lecture.

Trust Treat an annual tradition to honor student

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children to enjoy Halloween. In addition, it give s students a chance to forget about all their academic stresses, to dress up, and to enjoy Halloween just like they did when they were children.

Trust Treat '98 will be held on Friday, October 30 from approximately 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm.

If you did not have a chance to sign up and are still interested in participating, contact Kara (x0636) or Father Croghan (x4129).

Family Weekend Golf Tournament Results Announced

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the annual Family Weekend Golf Tournament sponsored by the Class of 1999 and the Student Assembly. Congratulations to Kurt and Albert Mangold who placed first with a score of 34. In a close second place was the duo of David and Gil Schwartz, followed by Keith and Bob St. Germain who finished third. Rob and Herb Singer rounded out the prize field in fourth, only four strokes off the lead. The proceeds from this tournament will help the Senior Class fund the Senior Formal and Senior Week.Thank you on behalf of the Senior Class Officers.

NAACP, civil rights leader to deliver lecture in the Chapel tonight

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at the American University in Washington, DC. He has been a Visiting Professor at Drexel University, Harvard University and Williams College.

Bond received the 1985 Bill of Rights Award "with appreciation for dedicated services to the cause of civil liberties," from the American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia and a similar award from the Massachusetts Civil Liberties Union in 1990.

In addition to the name recognition many may find Bond's voice very familiar. He was the narrator of the Westinghouse television series "Rush Toward Freedom" and the critically acclaimed 1987 and 1990 PBS series, "Eyes on the Prize." He narrated "Where Once We Stood," produced by the University of Alabama Television Services for Alabama Public Television in 1989, a show on the life of New York Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, a 1991 film on the life of artist Henry Ossawa Tanner, and a 1994 Academy Award winning documentary, "A Time For Justice."

In his current position with the NAACP, Bond has plans to get back to the roots of the Civil Rights Movement.

In a 1998 interview for the *New York Times* magazine, Bond states, "We're going back to do the old things better. I don't think there are new ways [to create social change]. There are only so many ways, and they are organization, mobilization, and coalition. [The NAACP] is the biggest civil-rights organization in America, the major advocate for the rights of black people. I want it to do what it can to build coalitions."

The diverse background that Bond brings is intended to help students and faculty, as well as the community gain greater information and understanding about civil rights. There will be an opportunity immediately following the speech to address any questions to Bond.

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Professor and NAACP chairman Julian Bond, long-time advocate of civil rights.

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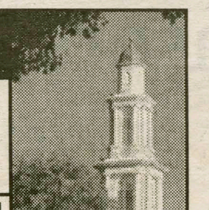

THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

COMPILED BY CRISTEN SARGENT '01

UC Berkeley classes cancelled for affirmative action walkout

(U-WIRE) BERKELEY, Calif. — UC Berkeley professors and students are expected to boycott class today and tomorrow in a long-awaited protest of the elimination of affirmative action in the university.

The walkout is not only a boycott of classes, organizers said, but also a way to educate students through various symposiums and teach-ins, which are scheduled to be held throughout the day.

Organizers said they hope to end what they call "institutionalized resegregation" in the UC system by "affirming with action," and have been planning the campus walkout in conjunction with other UC schools since the beginning of the fall semester.

"(The walkout) is an expression of our power to stop business as usual until affirmative action is restored," said Joyce Schon, a protester and organizer with the Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action by Any Means Necessary, who manned an affirmative action information table on Sproul Plaza yesterday.

"(Abolishing) affirmative action is unjust because it prevents the only effective remedy to institutionalized racism and sexism, as we have observed with this year's admissions results," she added.

Although organizers estimated that 60 UC Berkeley professors plan to boycott their classes, the estimate covers only those who officially signed on for the walkout, according to Mattie Richardson, an African American Studies graduate.

"As long as (professors and students) are taking the time out to talk, students have an opportunity to hear about issues that may never be expressed in classes otherwise," Richardson said. "(This walkout) is an alternative educational opportunity."

Profs apt to use own work as class texts

(U-WIRE) PROVIDENCE, R.I. — This semester, the 80 students enrolled in CS 51, a computer science course required for concentrators, must give a few bucks to their professor.

Professor of Computer Science John Savage, who teaches the class, uses his recently published book, Models of Computation, Exploring the Power of Computing, as the class's main textbook.

But Savage is not alone in assigning his own work as a class text. Many professors, in departments ranging from sociology to political science to anthropology to Afro-American studies, judge their own texts as most appropriate for classes.

Although the professors don't deny that they receive royalties from the sales, they cite other reasons for assigning their books, namely that they are experts in the field and that their own text will help students understand the subject.

On average, according to the American Association of University Publishers, authors earn 7.5 cents of every dollar of their books' sales.

Although professors see their texts as good for their classes, not all students agree. The Critical Review, for example, mentions that students found Savage's Models of Computation "to be incomprehensible with all the weird notation." Professor Savage, however, responded that the students have nothing to which to compare it.

Students can grab cheaper Eurail, Europass prices

(U-WIRE) STORRS, Conn. — There is great news for those of you looking to do Europe this summer! Eurail USA, Inc. has developed a perfect way for students to travel in an inexpensive way.

Students who hold an International Student Exchange Identity Card and order a Eurail or Europass from ISE Cards before Dec. 31, 1998 will receive a $20 savings on any pass and avoid price increases of 5% to 13% which will take effect on Jan. 1, 1999.

Travel with the passes must start within six months of the date of issue, so someone planning to visit Europe next June could buy the pass this December and enjoy their savings during the summer.

The Eurail passes have proven to be flexible and economical ways to travel about Europe, with unlimited access to over 100,000 miles of track on the national railway systems of 17 European countries.

For students under the age of 26, prices range from $376 for a 15-day pass of unlimited travel, to $1059 for three months of unlimited travel. Students can order passes by calling 800-255-8000.

WORLD NEWS

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Clinton urges Mideast negotiators

QUEENSTOWN, Md. (AP) — Returning to troubled Mideast peace talks, President Clinton appealed to Israeli and Palestinian leaders to close a land-for-peace accord today. "The hardest decisions now at last are on the table," he said.

Clinton rejoined the discussions on Maryland's Eastern shore after a week of hard bargaining and a threat by Israelis to bolt in the middle of the night unless they won more Palestinian concessions on security and other issues regarding control of the West Bank.

The president and his top aides today held three-way talks with Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat for the third time in eight days after intense overnight negotiating with both sides on a U.S. plan.

The meeting lasted for one hour and then Clinton began shuttling between the two leaders, who were stationed in separate dining rooms.

"I hope the parties will seize this opportunity and not retreat from the clear moment to capture the momentum of peace and keep it moving forward," Clinton said as he left the White House.

White House spokesman Joe Lockhart suggested Clinton was hoping to seal a deal.

"The president wants the parties to make important decisions today," Lockhart said. "The tough issues are on the table and we're looking to spend today focusing on how we get decisions."

AIDS epidemic hitting Southern Africa

LILONGWE, Malawi (AP) — The patients lie two to a bed and on the floor, waiting to be sent home to die. Tattered blankets brought by relatives drape their shrunken bodies, because Lilongwe Central Hospital doesn't have any linen.

After coursing through other parts of Africa, AIDS is rampaging in southern Africa, turning the region into the epidemic's super nova and changing the nature of existence.

Extraordinarily high death and infection rates are devastating families, threatening economies, creating a generation of orphans and lowering life expectancy in Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Africa, Malawi, Swaziland, Botswana and Namibia.

"It's worse than anything else southern Africa has seen," said Dr. Peter Piot, executive director of the U.N. AIDS program in Geneva. "What other catastrophe is going to kill 20 to 30 percent of the adults?"

All told, Africa south of the Sahara has two-thirds of the world's people infected with the AIDS virus, or 21 million. Four of every five women with the virus live there, and as do virtually all the 8.2 million children orphaned by AIDS.

Already overwhelmed with poverty and basic health issues like clean water, African governments have responded feebly to the epidemic, AIDS experts say, leaving much of the task to foreign donors and aid agencies.

"In South Africa you talked about the loss of a generation of kids due to apartheid. Now you're talking about a lost generation due to AIDS," said Alan W. Whiteside, who runs an AIDS-economics research division at the University of Natal in Durban, South Africa.

Iraq's United Nations gamble paying off

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Ten weeks after Iraq decided to block U.N. weapons inspections to protest eight years of sanctions, Baghdad's risky move has gone virtually unchallenged.

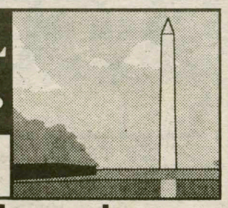
In fact, pressure against the U.S.-led hard-line on Iraq has only increased while inspections have been at a standstill. Support is growing for an acknowledgement that Iraq has complied with some of its disarmament obligations, and thus an easing of sanctions finally can be considered.

Inspectors can't go anywhere unannounced, and the United States and Britain offer little but muted complaints. With dwindling domestic and international support for a tough line against Saddam Hussein's regime, Washington and London have delegated negotiations on the impasse to the U.N. chief while they deal with Kosovo and the Middle East peace process.

Many diplomats point to the change of heart to "what happened in Ohio" in February, when top U.S. administration officials were heckled, live on CNN, at Ohio State University, where they had gone to justify the military threat.

This is not to say the prospect of lifting sanctions is near. No council member — the United States in particular — is willing to concede that Iraq has fulfilled all its obligations to destroy its weapons of mass destruction.

NATIONAL NEWS



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72-year-old man gets death penalty

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — A 72-year-old man who claimed he was insane when he shot his former boss and a pregnant woman to death smiled and cried, "Bravo! Bravo, judge!" from his wheelchair after being sentenced to die.

Julio Mora, 72, became the oldest man on Florida's death row Wednesday.

His lawyers claimed he was insane when he opened fire in an office in 1994, killing Clarence Rudolph, 54, his former boss at a senior center, and Karen Starr Marx, 30, a lawyer who was pregnant. He also wounded Rudolph's attorney. Mora was convicted in 1997.

After leaving his job as a computer trainer, Mora filed a $10 million wrongful-termination lawsuit against Rudolph, the head of the local chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons. Rudolph had said Mora quit.

It was during a deposition for the lawsuit at a Fort Lauderdale office that Mora pulled out a pistol and shot those in the room.

His attorneys argued that Mora thought the lawyers were about to attack him. At his sentencing, Mora began his statement to the court in Latin and tried to call as character witnesses the kings of Spain and Morocco and the queen of Belgium.

No words minced in N.Y. Senate race

OYSTER BAY, N.Y. (AP) — Rep. Chuck Schumer wades through a dense crowd at a Long Island street fair, introducing himself with a grin and outstretched hand as the man running against Sen. Al D'Amato.

It was just another day on the New York campaign trail — another day of voters from Brooklyn to Buffalo reciting slogans, confronting the candidates and insulting the other guy as much as possible. Schumer, a Democrat who's served in Congress for 18 years, is trying to unseat D'Amato, a three-term Republican.

It is one of the closest and nastiest races in the nation.

Every poll shows the two men neck and neck; every day brings a blizzard of negative ads and forays to connect with voters in unlikely places.

Schumer tried to appeal to D'Amato's fellow Italian-Americans by marching in New York City's Columbus Day Parade with former vice presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro.

D'Amato last month stood in front of a Holocaust memorial in Manhattan to tout his role in forcing Swiss banks to restore the lost assets of Nazi victims. He accused Schumer, who is Jewish, of not caring about the Holocaust because he missed a vote to establish a commission.

In a private meeting Tuesday with about 40 Jewish supporters, D'Amato called Schumer a "putzhead."

"Putz" means fool or bumbler in Yiddish, but has a secondary, less well-known meaning of penis. After first denying in a TV interview that he had used the word, D'Amato later acknowledged that he had.

"The Yiddish word I used to describe you at a private meeting means fool," D'Amato wrote. "I stand by my remark 100 percent."

D'Amato also mocked the heavyset Democrat Jerrold Nadler as "Congressman Waddler" and imitated him by waddling like a duck. The audience laughed when D'Amato used the Yiddish word, but became quiet and started whispering when he did the Nadler imitation.

Yankees win 24th World Series title

SAN DIEGO (AP) — They have no sure Hall of Famers, no one to equal Ruth, DiMaggio or Mantle. Not a single one of them even got elected to start this year's All-Star game.

Their true greatness is as a team. Maybe the best in baseball history. The New York Yankees ended their season Wednesday night the only way that seemed proper — a 3-0 victory over the San Diego Padres for a World Series sweep and their record 24th championship.

Andy Pettitte recorded the Yankees' 125th victory of the year, a win that caused owner George Steinbrenner to weep with joy. Scott Brosius won the MVP award and that was appropriate — batting ninth for most of the season, hardly a superstar.

"I think that [the debate] will probably be talked about forever," Brosius said. "The comparisons will go on and on, and maybe nobody will have a definite answer."

"This is truly, you can say it now, one of the greatest teams in baseball," a champagne-soaked Steinbrenner said. "We really worked for this," he said, too overcome to go on.

It was New York's second title in three years and its seventh sweep, its first since 1950.

"I think the biggest moment is that third out, throwing the ball and knowing it's going to end the game and end the season," Brosius said. "There's nothing better than coming up and seeing the players' eyes and that sense of accomplishment and excitement."

SECURITY blotter

COMPILED BY SCOTT VON DUHN '01

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

12:00 noon — Larceny of automotive parts from Saunders House.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

5:00 p.m. — Larceny from the Chemistry building.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

2:03 a.m. — Medical emergency in Carnegie.

6:32 a.m. — Fire alarm is set off in Ferguson.

1:30 p.m. — Motor vehicle accident and property damage on College Hill Rd.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

12:30 a.m. — Fire alarm is set off in South.

12:48 a.m. — Fire alarm is set off in South.

4:07 a.m. — Confiscation of drug paraphernalia, a large "bong," from Bundy East.

9:40 a.m. — Medical emergency in Bristol Campus Center.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

12:34 a.m. — Motor vehicle accident and property damage in the Bundy East parking lot.

10:42 a.m. — Medical emergency in Commons Dining Hall.

5:50 p.m. — Suspicious incident reported at Rogers Estate.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

12:30 a.m. — Fire alarm is set off in Milbank.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

3:05 a.m. — Medical emergency in Dunham.

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HAVOC sponsors 'Make A Difference Day' of volunteerism

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, October 24, Hamilton Action Volunteer Outreach Coalition (HAVOC) is sponsoring "Make A Difference Day," the national day to get involved with community service. The HAVOC "Make a Difference Day" projects are being guided by co-directors, Sarah Knapp '99 and Katy Milmoe '99.

Projects include turning the Old Proctor High School into a nursing home, working in a soup kitchen, a cappella singing at the Lutheran Homes and Habitat for Humanity, where students will fix and build homes in the Utica area.

"Make a Difference Day is one of many efforts generated by HAVOC to involve students who cannot commit to a weekly volunteer project, to go out into our communities and see what we can do for others," said Knapp. "It is a day when Hamilton students ask what they can do for other people and then answer their own question by going out into our local community and making a difference."

This year Knapp and Milmoe are also leading an effort to support four local community service organizations: the American Red Cross, the Rescue Mission of Rome, the Humane Society of Rome and Catholic Services.

HAVOC is collecting urgently needed items like blankets, toiletries, saline solution, dog and cat food, robitussin and neosinephrine, winter coats, gloves, hats, light bulbs, tissues and dish soap for these organizations. They are also collecting non-perishable food items such as coffee, sugar, non-dairy creamer, pasta, rice and canned vegetables. Items will be collected through Friday morning, October 23. HAVOC is celebrating its tenth anniversary this year at Hamilton College. It is a student-run organization providing community service for Oneida County since 1988.

Community service provides learning opportunities outside the classroom where students are exposed to values and lifestyles different from their own. HAVOC volunteers have amassed more than 200,000 hours of community service.

PHOTO COURTESY HAVOC

Children from the Cosmopolitan Center in Utica pick Halloween pumpkins with HAVOC volunteers last October.

PHOTO COURTESY C & D

***Photo Opportunity*: Two professors from the Geology department visited the Clinton Elementary school on Thursday, October 15, to help students in grades 1-3 identify rocks and minerals. David Bailey (featured in picture at left), Associate Professor of Geology and department chair and Cynthia Domack, Associate Professor of Geology, identified information on various rocks and fossils students brought to school that day.**

S.A. Safety Committee hard at work

SPECIAL TO THE SPECTATOR

The Safety Committee is one of the newest Student Assembly committees this academic year. Co-chaired by Steve Guditus '00 and Adam Gold '01, these two Class Representatives are prepared to tackle such campus issues like campus lighting, 888 keys, and parking lot safety.

Some of the biggest areas thought to need campus lighting include in front of the science building where numerous people have commented on almost falling down and breaking body parts. Lights are also needed behind North and Kirkland residence halls. Also, the walk to Bundy is treacherous during the day or night, and on either side, especially in front of the Chi Psi house.

Other campus issues will be addressed this year, such as the fact that there are no "call boxes" outside of residence halls– a characteristic of many other colleges of Hamilton's size. The 888 key currently used at Hamilton is given out to all students, and allows access to all residence halls except Rogers Estate, Bundy East and West, 3940, Ferguson, and Saunders. Some issues have risen about the safety of the 888 key because they allow easy access to the residence halls. The issue of continued door propping has also been raised.

Several people have suggested the idea of a change from the key system to a card-swiping system, where your ID card is used to allow you access to a building. This way, a computer could keep track of who has been in what building, with the hope of reducing any crime that may happen.

Much has been thought about the seclusion of Wally J., behind Bristol Campus Center. That residence hall is secluded, this year much more than before, with the closing of the DKE house.

Ideas to lighten that area of campus, and open up the area with the trimming of shrubs, have been considered.

The idea of trimming the shrubs on all residence halls has been considered, as a precautionary measure.

Committee members Gold, Guditus, Beth Bouloukos '02, Sara Weinstein '02 and David Zane '02 will be working diligently with Pat Ingalls to make the campus a safer one.

LECTURES

David Reingold of the Department of Chemistry at Juniata College will give a lecture entitled, "In-Between Molecules" on Friday Oct. 23 at 3 p.m. in Room 112, Saunders Hall of Chemistry. This event is sponsored by the Chemistry Department.

Julian Bond will give a public talk entitled "Civil Rights - Then and Now" on Friday Oct. 23 at 8 p.m. in the Chapel. Mr. Bond has been a civil rights leader since the 1960's. He iscurrently the Chairman of the NAACP. Bond's talk is open to the Campus Community and the General Public. This event is sponsored by the Government Deptartment.

Professor Douglas Weldon will give a lecture entitled "The Neurobiology of Attention" on Tuesday Oct. 27 at 4:10 p.m. in the Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson. This event is sponsored by the Office of the President.

LECTURES

Tolles Lecture: Author Anna Quindlen will present a lecture on her latest work on Wednesday Oct. 28 at 4 p.m. in the Chapel. Quindlen's works include Black and Blue, and One True Thing A book signing will be held afterwords in the Hub at Bristol Campus Center. The Dean of the Faculty is sponsoring this event.

Dean Wilcox of the Department of Chemistry at Dartmouth College will give a lecture entitled, "Coordination Chemistry of Zinc Fingers" on Friday Oct. 30 at 3 p.m. in Room 112, Saunders Hall of Chemistry. The Department of Chemistry is sponsoring this event.

On Friday Oct. 30 at 7:30 p.m. the Campus Activities Board will sponsor Paranormal expert Peter Jordan in a lecture entitled "On Ghosts" at the Chapel. Jordan, a vetern field investigator, chronicles his amazing findings in this mind-bending presentation with slides and videos culled from hundreds of personal files.

FILM

The Samuel Kirkland Film Society will sponsor screenings of Scream 2 at 7:30 p.m. on Friday Oct. 23 and Sunday Oct. 25, and at 10 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 24 in the KJ Auditorium.

The Campus Activities Board will sponsor Blues Brothers on Friday Oct. 23 at 11 p.m. in the KJ Auditorium.

The Foreign and Fine Film Society will sponsor screenings of Heavenly Creatures at 7:30 p.m. on Friday Oct. 30 and Sunday Nov. 1, and at 10 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 31 in the KJ Auditorium.

CHECKITOUT

The Department of Physical Education will sponsor "Exciting Low-Fat Meals" on Tyesday Oct. 27 at 6:30 p.m. in Bundy Dining Hall. Bon Appetit Chefs will prepare a complete low fat meal including bread, salads, entree, and dessert. The chefs will share tips on using seasonally available products and presentation ideas to make your meals more exciting.

The Campus Activities Board will sponsor an Acoustic Coffeehouse featuring Susan Werner with Rose Polenzani on Thursday Oct. 29 at 8 p.m. in the Filius Events Barn. A palpable buzz of anticipation fills the room whenever Susan Werner hits the stage. At each of the nightspots where Werner appears nationwide, a swiftly growing audience of dedicated fans focuses intense, undivided attention on the former Iowa farm girl who brings a disarming and irresistible charisma to the realm of singer-songwriter.

FULL WEEKLY EVENTS SCHEDULE http://www.hamilton.edu/

MOVIES

FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 23 - 29

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Soldier	6:50, 9:35	*Practical Magic*	6:30, 9:20
Pleasantville	6:45, 9:30	*Antz*	6:40, 8:45
Apt Pupil	6:55, 9:40	*Rush Hour*	7:10, 9:50
Beloved	7:00, 10:20*	*Night at The Roxbury*	4:10
Bride of Chucky	7:15, 9:45	*Urban Legend*	6:35, 9:25

* This showing only plays Friday and Saturday.

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Important artwork donation relegated to President's yard

by Dan McAllister '99
FEATURES WRITER

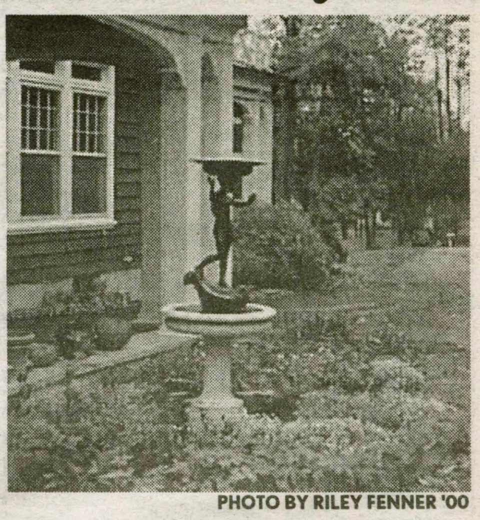
Returning to the Hill after a semester in Rome, one begins to long for the old country. While Hamilton lacks the sunshine, cobblestone piazzas, ancient ruins and even a coffee house where one can enjoy a cappuchino and a cigarette, perhaps the biggest void felt by the retruning traveller is the lack of fountains which are so plentiful in Rome. Throughout the entire city, the sound of running water fills the ears, as fountains large and small, famous and insignificant, flow with fresh water day and night. This all led me to wonder about the fate of Hamilton's very own Roman fountain, which had been sent to Boston to be restored a couple of years ago.

The fountain, characterized by Director of Planned Giving Ben Medonia as "the most important sculpture in the College's collection," features a striding male figure in bronze atop a travertine basin and pedastal. The work was commissioned by Philip Vergilius Rogers, a Hamilton alumnus and local banker, for his home, the Rogers estate (now a Hamilton residence hall) where it adorned the terrace for 90 years.

The sculpture was made in Rome, Italy, circa 1909 by American artist Elihu Vedder and was modeled by Charles Keck. Vedder was a well known decorative painter and designer who worked in Rome for a largely American clientele. Like most of Vedder's works, the Rogers fountain is a pastiche of Ancient Roman and Italian Renaissance elements.

His mastery of classical forms made Vedder one of the leading artisists of the so-called American Renaissance of the late nineteenth century, and made his studio in Rome a mecca for fasionable Americans. Charles Keck, a young journeyman in Vedder's workshop, actually modeled the plaster original from which the bronze figure was cast, following drawings furnished by Vedder. Keck went on to enjoy a successful carreer as a sculptor, receiving numerous important Federal commissions in the 1920s and 1930s. At least two other versions of the fountain were cast as well. One is now at the Art Institue of Chicago, and the other is in the J. B. Speed Museum of Art in Louisville.

After the Rogers family donated the fountain to Hamilton in June 1994, it was sent to Cambridge, Massachusetts for treatment by Daedalus, Inc., a fine arts conservation firm specializing in outdoor sculpture. Heavy lime deposits on the statue and basin were removed using scalpels and controlled abrasive blasting, and cracks were welded and made invisible. The refurbishment, carrying a price tag of approximately $13,000, was funded by an anonymous donor not associated with the Rogers family.



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The Elihu Vedder fountain, where it rests behind President Tobin's house.

VOICEBOX

What do you think of the placement of the fountain?

"It has nothing to do with the President's house, it should be in the art gallery."
-Philip Rogers, fountain donor

"I think that they're ripping off the alumnus who donated the fountain, and shortchanging the campus in general. It's a blatant display of greed."
-Peter O'Brien '02

"I don't think it should be in his backyard. It should be for the enjoyment of the students."
-Anne Lee '02

"I think it should be on public display, unless he's going to offer tours of his backyard."
-Justin Tyler '01

Where is the fountain now? While many sites on campus were considered, President and Mrs. Tobin, Vice President of Administration and Finance Daniel O'Leary, Vice President of Communications and Development Richard Tantillo, and Director of the Emerson Gallery Lise Holst made the decision to put the fountain on the front lawn of the President's house, a decision which has outraged the Rogers family. Phillip Rogers, Emeritus Proffessor of Biology, grandson of P.V. Rogers, and donor of the fountain, said, "I gave it to the College to put in the art gallery. My expectation was that it was to go in the gallery." He went on to explain that while he gave the fountain to the College for the enjoyment of all, and not as the exclusive provence of the President and his private guests, Professor Rogers concedes that he did not attach any strings when he donated the fountain, and thus his hands are tied.

According to Vice President Tantillo, there was no specific plan for placement or usage of the fountain or the other decorative arts that the Rogers family donated. The fountain was originally slated for exhibition in the Emerson Gallery, however, the sculpture was too large for permanent display in the space available. The fountain could have been put on temporary pedastals or mounted on wheels, but that option did not seem feasible as the piece would have been put into storage after a short display. In deciding on the proper outdoor location for the fountain, Tantillo said that two important factors were taken into account: safety and visibility. He argued that since "hundreds and hundreds of Hamiltonians and guests visit the President's house each year" the location near the main entrance to Preident Tobin's house was "right for the piece that we refurbished."

At first, both President Tobin and Tantillo contended that the College had purchased the fountain along with the Rogers facility. Tantillo commented that the Administrators in charge of this decision did not think that it was necessary to contact the Rogers on the decision regarding the fountain's location because "it was not their property anymore." At the same time, Tantillo remarked that the Administration did not wish to upset the Rogers with their decision. In fact, President Tobin remarked that the Rogers had not even contacted his office directly on this issue. Tantillo also commented that, to his knowledge, the Rogers had not made a complaint to the College.

When pressed on the matter of the fountain's procurement due to official IRS documents that The Spectator was made aware of by the Rogers family, Tantillo phoned Vice President O'Leary. After several minutes of digging, O'Leary found that the fountain was in fact a donation to the College.

Even though Administrators contend that the fountain was situated for the "broader community to enjoy," P.V. Rogers' great granddaughter, Lisa, said, "I'm irritated, because who's going to see it there?" She went on to make it clear that the fountain had been donated to the College for the enjoyment of the entire community, and it was understood that it would go in a public area. In fact, no one in the Rogers family had even been informed of the decision to put the fountain on the President's lawn, and they thought it was still being restored.

"This should send a clear message to anyone considering making a donation to the College," said an anonymous alumnus. "That is, that our adminstrators can't be taken at their word. Be sure to get everything in writing."

Many students feel betrayed by the decision on the part of the Tobins and top Administrators. "It's too bad that a sculpture characterized as the most important in the College's collection should become the sole enjoyment of the President," said an incensed Adam Laukhuf '99. "Once again, the students come last."

It should be noted that the College had not been informed that the Rogers are so upset over the location chosen for the fountain, and there was obvious confusion among College officals as to whether the fountain was a purchase or a donation. Hopefully this article can help to open a line of communication between the College, the donors and the greater community.

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RILEY'S
Irregular Ramblings
Putting out the rumors

by Riley Fenner '00
FEATURES EDITOR

Gatherings don't always occur for a logical reason. A lot of what goes into forming a crowd is nothing more than dust and wind particles that bring certain people face to face with each other during the course of the day. Voices can carry only so far and so fast. How do you perfectly time when to spread a rumor?

Like a fire that you want to warm the room, but not burn down the house, a rumor can spread out of control and generate chaos if you stoke it with too many words, or it can sputter and die out if the wrong people are used as kindling. Pass the word, sing a song, join the herd, move along in the stream of consciousness.

Sometimes everyone knows about an event because it's public knowledge, but a rumor stops it dead in its tracks.

"Are you going to see that concert in the Events Barn tonight?"

"Um, did you hear that they sing songs about dirty birds and decaying vegetables? They might be one of those sadistic groups that eats live animals on stage. It was either them or someone else who plays folk music, but how many of those people can there be?"

The first person then proceeds to repeat that anecdote as fact to everyone that they know. The story acts like water, or dirt if you prefer, to the fire of the event's occurrence. By the time the concert comes around, only a few embers that were isolated in their rooms, safe from the settling dust, will be glowing warmly enough to actually show up.

On the other hand, an event that is completely insignificant can be stoked to a raging storm when the right people are touched off with news of its imminence.

"Hey, did you know there's going to be a party on the third floor of South tonight?"

"You know, they should just have the party outside on the lawn, that way we could get a big bonfire going."

"Yeah, that would be cool, maybe they'll do that."

"You think so? Awesome."

All that is needed is for someone's imagination to be filled with visions of debaucherous revelry, and the idea becomes reality with no more effort than some movement of the lips and tongue. The unsuspecting hosts of the gathering are encompassed by a storm of frantic fun before they even have time to think about why it is happening. That's what usually happens, anyway. Rumors, like fire, can also sometimes run into material that refuses to be lit.

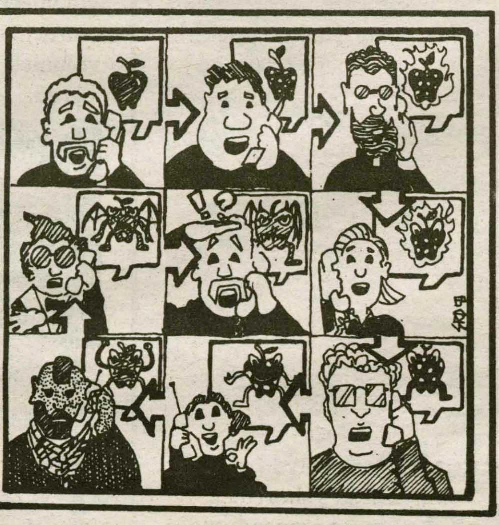
"Yo, there's going to be a bonfire on the lawn of South tonight, do you want to go to it?"

"Who told you that?"

"I don't know, everyone's talking about it. I'm sure there'll be cool people there."

"Look, I know the people who are having a party there and they're not building any bonfire, dude. They've already gotten busted by Security once. I think they're just going to be sitting in their room."

Yes, there a few skeptics who control the spread of rumor fires through campus. We should commend those people who aren't willing to believe every spark that they hear, rather than blindly following whatever light they see to wherever it leads.



FACES IN THE CROWD
Tami Kocivar '99

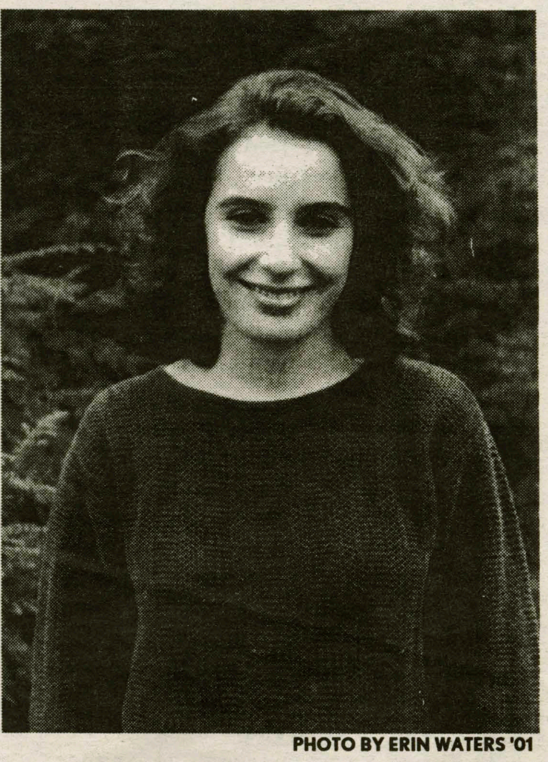
by Amy Kopriva '02
FEATURES WRITER

Do you like rats? Do you want to go to California? Are you interested in brain activity and memory? Are you wondering how these things can possibly be related? Well, senior Tami Kocivar can tell you. In fact, in just a couple of weeks, from November 7 through November 12, Kocivar will be in Los Angeles attending the Society for Neurosciences's 28th Annual Conference. Her traveling companion is a familiar face on campus, our very own Professor of Psychology, Douglas Weldon.

Since the second semester of Kocivar's junior year, she and Weldon have worked hand-in-hand to research how organisms orient themselves and specifically, to uncover the memory capabilities of rats. Working with Kocivar was a continuation of years of previous research for Weldon. Kocivar, a psychobiology major and comparative literature minor, conducted this research over the past several months in order to determine how the brain activities of rats differ when they remember somewhere they have been before. Utilizing the typical maze method, Kocivar and Weldon studied the activities of a group of Long-Evans breed male rats. The results of these experiments will be the subject of their presentation at the upcoming conference.

It was a unique experience in high school that sparked Kocivar's interest in the field of science. At a nearby university, Kocivar worked on a three year long pharmaceutical research project. She looks back on the experience fondly and believes that, "it was really what got me interested in science." After the research she conducted last spring, she continued her work with Professor Weldon over the summer. After he submitted an abstract to the committee organizing the conference and found out that they had accepted his project proposal, Weldon invited Kocivar to attend with him. The pair will conduct a poster presentation of their project during the conference. The format of their presentation will be informal and attendees will be able to ask questions about their project.

Kocivar is especially optimistic about the project because, "research of this type has not been done a lot before with rats." Her enthusiasm about the upcoming event is obvious when she smiles and says, "It will be so exciting to tell the world what is going on with our project. I hope that people will be interested in it, feel that it is a worthwhile project, and be as excited as we are at the results that we found. I feel prepared because Professor Weldon and I had some practice recently when we did a poster presentation for our summer project."



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Tami Kosivar '99, who will be attending a prominent neuroscience convention in November with Prof. Weldon, is not *just* a "math and science" person.

Due to the large accomodations at the Los Angeles Convention Center, over 12, 000 presentations are expected to be made. Kocivar is looking forward to spending the remaining three and a half days that she will have in California to "see all sorts of presentations in neuroscience." She explained, "I am excited about attending workshops and meeting students and professors from other schools. It is great to be able to learn about projects I have not been exposed to in my career at Hamilton. Some of the people at the conference are at the top of their fields. It is great to see what is going on in the labs at other schools." But all seriousness aside, Kocivar also hopes to do some sightseeing, since this will be her first trip to California.

What contributes to Kocivar's success in the sciences? She explained, "I think that I am very intellectually curious. I like to as a lot of questions, which is so important for scientific investigation. I am a pretty hard worker in terms of research, because I realize that you don't always get the results you hope for the first time. I think recognizing that has been helpful."

Yet the observer cannot accurately classify Kocivar as solely a "math and science person." She commented, "I consider myself to be primarily better at the sciences, but I do have an interest in English and literature as well. Working in the sciences is not the only thing that I consider myself able to do." Kocivar's courses reflect her diversity of interest and ability. She is currently working on a separate senior thesis with Professor Weldon, and taking "Shakespeare Around the World", Genetics, and a course in religious studies.

But Kocivar's talents go *far* beyond the laboratory. She is also involved in the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program on campus, and was one of the assistant editors of *Red Weather*, a student-run literary magazine.

In regard to her experience at Hamilton, she commented, "I have really enjoyed being at Hamilton. I've gotten a good education here, and I have met a lot of different types of people and have made a lot of great friends."

Kocivar's dedication to the sciences is not temporary. She uses examples from the past as models for her own future endeavors. She especially admires the perseverance that Galileo displayed during his difficult scientific career. She explains,"He knew that he was right about his ideas, despite how the Church fought him on this issue. He was a scientist when it was hard to be a scientist. I really admire him." She also likes Albert Einstein because she believes that he "was an interesting figure." These idols inspire Kocivar to continue her pursuit of a career in science, and she specifically hopes to study medicine. She believes that "the most exciting thing about science is uncovering new knowledge, and it is an exciting prospect that scientific research can benefit society in general."

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Borneo slide show impresses, lecture disappoints audience

by Evan Frankel '01
FEATURES EDITOR

The Hamilton Environmental Action Group (HEAG), in cooperation with other organizations, recently brought Rainforest Awareness Project representative Kevin Russell to campus. The Rainforest Awareness Project began 10 years ago in Boulder, Colorado. It was founded by Mr. Russell and involves a group of artists and educators who wish to discuss environmental education. The project mainly provides independent study opportunities for students who wish to investigate the world of environmental education. Mr. Russell's presentation was titled "Out of the Shadows of Borneo" and included a slide show along with Russell's personal narration of his experience.

Russell's presentation took roughly an hour and a half which included a radio broadcast of a pair of Borneo natives on a trip to Manhattan, a complete musical score, and countless problems with his microphone. His speech was based mainly around his three month visit to Borneo. Mr. Russell delivered what appeared to be distant recollections of parts of forgotten stories, and danced randomly from one thought to another.

Ian Dumain '99 commented, "I thought the photos were quality, but I felt the speaker was uninteresting and underqualified to address this college's student body."

Mr. Russell maintained an overall theme of environmental consciousness throughout his lecture, but as stated by Mary Sassi '00, "I don't know how culturally sensitive it was."

During the second portion of his lecture, Mr. Russell displayed a slide show, accompanied by Ani DiFranco/Joan Baez genre music. The slides were generally directed to the recent breakdown of the natural environment worldwide and it's impact on native cultures. The photos, although good, seemed unconnected by any theme. Mr. Russell controlled the remote for the slides, and tried his best to present them artistically. Unfortunately, the result was less than desirable. "He kept some of the photos of nothing on for like two minutes, and then would just flip through some other shots real fast," commented John Berry '01.

Russell also spent a good deal of time talking about how "sticky" rainforest politics are. He confessed his own Western ideas and that a major problem with the politics was that, "American society won't give up its quality of life."

Although Russell gave no direct facts in the way of statistics or direct account, he did present the audience with a large amount of good environmental photography. This presentation was made possible by the generous support of the Student Assembly, Biology Department, Office of the President, and the Dean of Students.

HAVOC Volunteer of the Week

Allison Bechill '00

by Heather Baer '00
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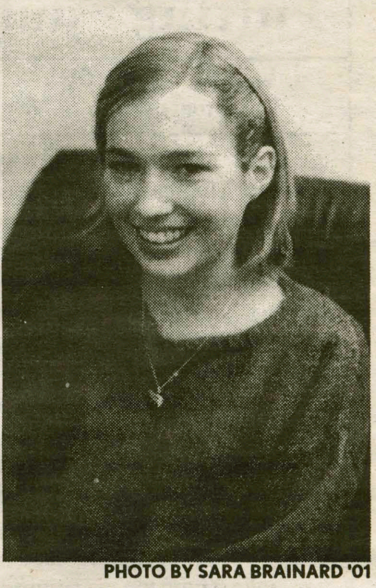

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Bechill is a volunteer at the local YMCA, where she works with appreciative children.

Allison Bechill '00 may strike you as the average college student, busy with classes and friends. What you can't tell by simply looking at her is her extensive involvement in the community. Allison began doing volunteer work with HAVOC her freshman year. She worked with JCTOD (Jesus Christ Tabernacle of David)and the DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) program at Westmoreland Elementary School. She has also participated in other HAVOC special projects like Oxfam and Make a Difference Day.

During the last year, Allison became involved with the Family Nurturing Center Project, run by Kait Nelson '01 and Jody Steinhilber '99. This year, the Family Nurturing Center project became the YMCA, which is, again, run by Steinhilber and Nelson. Allison also decided to move on to this new project. Her main reason for going to the YMCA is that she really likes spending time with the kids. She said that they are fun to work with, but it is difficult because you have to be a role model for them. On any given afternoon one may find Allison surrounded by kids playing on the computers, or maybe even participating in a ping pong tournament. These kids crave attention, and look forward to the arrival of the Hamilton volunteers.

Steinhilber writes about Allison, "She's great with the kids we work with and really deserves recognition for all the time she has devoted to volunteering last semester and this semester." Volunteer work is not all that Allison participates in; she is also taking swing dance classes, and five courses. A Comparative Literature major, she also plans to be abroad in the spring, hopefully in Australia.

As Allison could tell you, volunteering is a lot of fun. If you're interested in being a HAVOC volunteer, please call the office at x4195.

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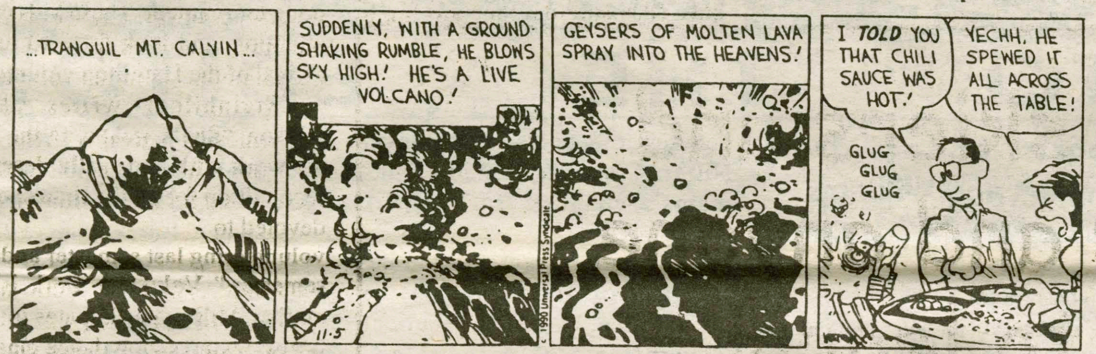

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Campus Crossword

MEAT MARKET by Lee Weaver
Edited by Stanley Newman

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22 Bushy hairdo
23 Mountainous nation
25 Bullring cheer
26 Calf catcher
30 CD-__ (computer adjunct)
31 Beach hut
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39 Confuse
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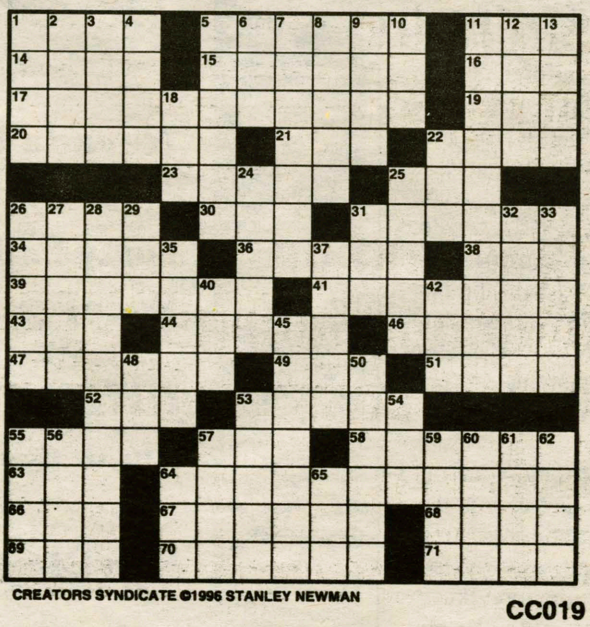

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-Honey Baer '00 at McDonald's

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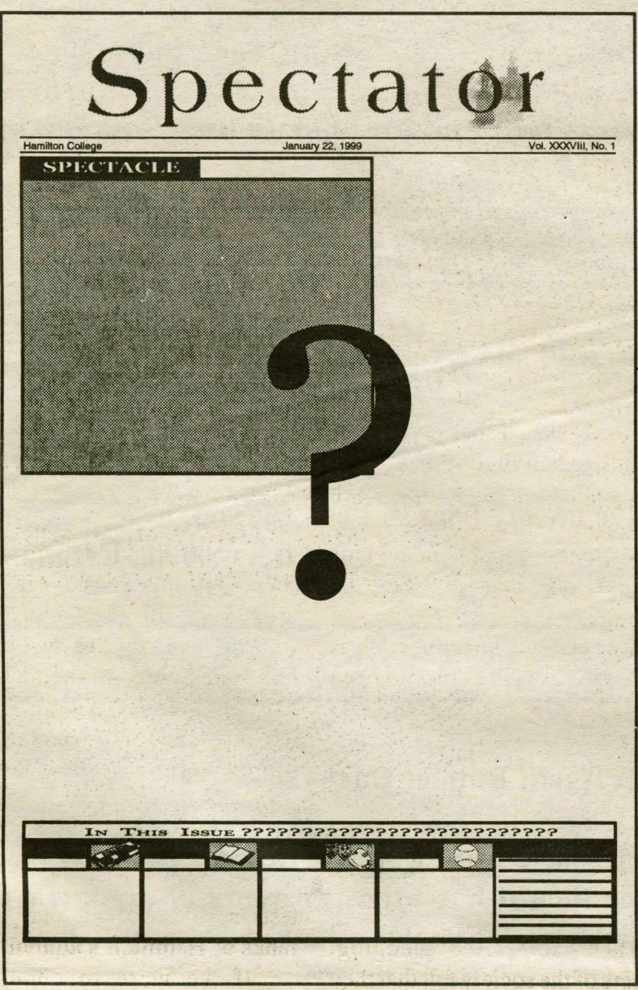

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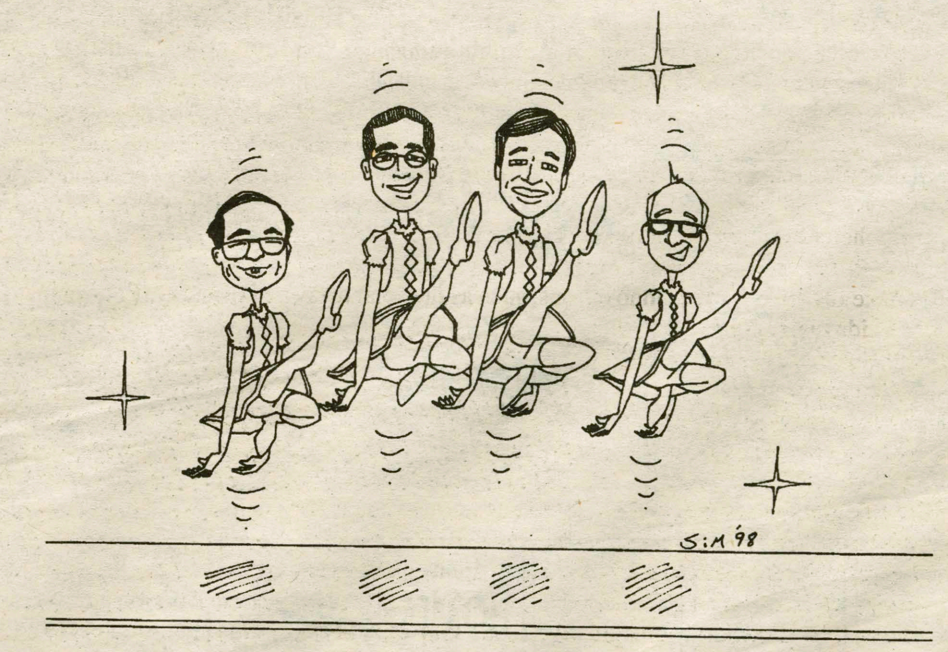

Inspired by the recent musical performances on campus, Dean Fong, Vice President Tantillo, Dean Fuller, and President Tobin have left the college in hopes of making it big as *Deans of the Dance.*

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sports editors from Amhert and Williams discuss NESCAC decisions

To The Editor:

Three weeks ago, we wrote what we believe to be the first-ever column to run simultaneously in the *The Williams Record* and *The Amherst Student* concerning the April 22 NESCAC policy change and the uproar it has created at our respective campuses. Though our column was more specifically focused to the interests of our two schools, we also want to show the rest of the conference why the compromise simply will not accomplish what the presidents claim it will.

Our primary concern was with the second provision of the April 22 statement, specifically the section limiting post-season competition to one team from each sport. In sports like women's soccer, where teams from eight different NESCAC schools enjoyed post-season competition last year, the resulting loss is rather obvious.

Another place where the new policy makes no sense is if most sports establish a NESCAC Tournament at the end of the season to determine the conference champion, travelling to, and participating in, these tournaments would have the same impact on teams as ECAC's or NCAA's do. The conference tournament structure– combined with the fact that one team would continue on to ECAC's or NCAA's– would in no way reduce the amount of time sports teams spend away from school.

There is much more to our argument, but the gist of it is that the NESCAC presidents must recognize that the new system resolves none of the previously existing issues regarding the balance between academics and athletics in NESCAC, and that it unfairly limits teams' chances for NCAA participation.

Given the present situation and the lack of action across the conference, the Student Governments of Amherst and Williams have taken the initiative to call for a NESCAC-wide forum, to be held at Amherst on November 15.

We encourage the Student Government of your institution to join us as we try to find a solution that is more appeasing than the sudden and shocking decision handed to us in April. The NESCAC deserves a fate better than that which the Presidents have given it.

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Note: The full text of our column can be found at: **http://www.amherst.edu/~astudent/1998-1999/issue005/opinion/o-collegepresidents.html**

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Beam me up Scottie; Space exploration

KRYSTYN SCHMERBECK

KNOCKING ON THE FRONT DOOR

When one looks up at the millions of stars in the sky, it is nearly impossible not to wonder about our place in the grand scheme of the universe. How many other planets are there that we can't even see? How many other forms of life exist out there? Are we ready to learn about what is out there?

On October 25th, Deep Space I is scheduled to take off from Cape Canaveral in Florida. Its primary mission is to test nearly a dozen new technologies in space exploration. It will pass by an asteroid while collecting data throughout the mission. However, the coolest thing about Deep Space 1 is the cost–only $125 million each. (In comparison to weapons of mass destruction, such as the new class of B-2 Stealth Bombers which cost $600 million, these new devices for space travel and exploration are extremely less expensive. Perhaps this could be an incentive for all countries to choose funding space exploration instead of the less economically wise increase in production of weapons, but maybe that's hoping for too much.)

DSI seriously sounds as if it was lifted from a Star Trek episode. It will be propelled off of the Earth's surface by a missile. However, once it leaves the Earth's atmosphere, an ion propulsion system will take over. On board is a highly intelligent computer which can configure a mission, run that mission and check to make sure that the mission is going as expected. There are also about ten other technological innovations, such as the solar array and new radio devices, that are reminiscent of the early episodes of Star Trek. Who would have thought that we would actually bring these imaginative ideas into a physical, working existence?

The success of DSI will open our small existence up in ways that have only been imagined. The benefits of space exploration are innumerable. Humanity should recognize that our own planet will one day no longer be fit to support human life. Clearly, we should agree that if things continue as they are now it will be necessary to find another way of life, or another place to live it. Also, there are likely massive amounts of knowledge hidden within the universe that could benefit all of us. The cures for terminal diseases could be hidden in the natural environments of planets that are millions or billions of miles away. We could, through our searches and explorations, even discover a more meaningful existence. If our planet is truly the only one inhabited with intelligent life, what would happen if the human race destroyed itself?

The most important question that we must ask ourselves is this: Are we ready to acknowledge that we might not be alone? Are we ready to peacefully co-exist with another intelligent species? We barely have peace amongst ourselves. Wars and conflicts all over the world are based primarily on the rejection of other humans and their opinions. Can we take this next step? While it is unlikeley that we will discover another intelligent race of beings in this generation, it may very well happen within the next three or four generations. We must use time wisely to prepare our descendents for these new experiences. Our ability, throughout history, to accept other people different from ourselves has been shaky at best. If we want to survive and co-exist with any other intelligent species in the future, we must act now to end the perpetual cycle of hate towards beings and ideas that are contrary to our own beliefs and conceptions of the universe. Only after this cycle is broken will we truly be able to open our mind and our way of life to another species of intelligence.

Clearly, space exploration is one of the most interesting fields of discovery today. The success of DSI could be the next step towards the goal that became realizable nearly thirty years ago when Neil Armstrong took his first steps on the moon. Life as we know it could be irreparably changed by the success of this mission. DSI may bring hope for all of humanity as well as challenge us to open our minds and come to the realization that our existence goes beyond ourselves, beyond our planet, and into the realm of the great unknown.

THE LEADING BRAND by Brandon Sim '99

The confessions of two hazed pledges

DAVE KUTCHER & TOM LEEN

GRUMPY OLD MEN

When we were younger, we felt the need to fit in. When we came to Hamilton we felt the desire to join a very selective society. Unfortunately, before that could be done we both needed to undergo the ritual known as hazing. Hazing, as defined by the College's Anti-Hazing Policy is "any action or situation that recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental or physical health or safety of another person for the purpose of membership, advancement, or continued good standing in any organization recognized by the College." Forewarned by this, we both still chose to undergo the process and until this point, kept silent about our first hand experiences.

We can remember the struggles undertaken in our attempt to be accepted as members of this society as seen through certain parts of the College's Anti-Hazing policy:

1. Engaging in activities that compel an individual or group to remain at a certain place...

We were told that until we reached a certain status we needed to all stay together in certain places. Indeed, even when some of us had reached this higher status we were still required to stay at these places. Many of us thought of leaving, but felt that if we were caught doing so without the society's permission it would negatively effect our "membership, advancement, or continued good standing." We often questioned why we needed to all stay together, but they told us it would help build our sense of "community."

2. Creating excessive fatigue or distress through the deprivation of privacy, sufficient sleep, or decent and edible meals.

Pledging is a stressful time, and often we would be given work that we needed to complete to a certain standard. If we could not keep up with the workload some of us needed to stay up all night to complete it. This was especially intense at certain times throughout the process. They kept telling us that the work we were doing was "good for us" and we believed them. However, we often asked what would happen if we did not do this work, and they told us that is would adversely effect our "membership, advancement, or continued good standing."

Also, as if this was not bad enough, they made us eat together a minimum amount of times per week. Some of us realy did not really like these meals, and were able to skip these sessions. However, we still needed to pay for the meals we skipped, and that did not seem right to us either. We would often ask why we needed to eat these meals together and they would again respond that they were fostering our sense of "community."

3. Participating in morally degrading or humiliating games and activities; participating in or creation of situations that cause physical harm or emotional strain, such as causing a member or non-member to be the object of malicious amusement or ridicule;

When we started pledging, members of the society felt that they needed to be sure that we were up to a certain physical standard. I can still remember the morning of our first test; we all rose early in the morning and met in high spirits. The society even gave us a choice of activities with which to demonstrate our athletic prowess. Unfortunately, some of us who were not as physically fit as the others could only try, as the others watched on. Those of us who failed these tests needed to undergo structured workouts under the watchful eyes of members of the society until we were deemed physically able to become members.

Although we recognize these obvious acts of hazing and could probably list more, we continue to pledge to this day and are proud to do so. The society we are in the process of joining prides itself on its selectivity. It is very difficult to get a bid from the rigorous screening process, and the dues alone are worth an article. However, despite everything, it is our hope that someday we can pass all of these tests required of us and join the ranks of Hamilton's alumni.

If we were to change the College's policy to read, "in any organization recognized by the College or the College itself," you would understand why we have been writing stories of our "hazing" at the hands of the college. You may say that these are all activities which we undergo voluntarily; we always had the option to leave. I would respond by saying that it is not that simple to "just leave." Many of us have invested time and money into being here, in addition to friendships and accumulated credits. These activities have been successful in increasing our sense of "community" and it is that which prevents us from "just leaving." Some of us actually appreciate the process, for it makes our membership worth something.

We also know that this point is, if anything, an academic one. We do not think the State of New York would persecute the college nor do we believe it would be right to do so. However, we also recognize that if there is anywhere an academic point that should make people think; it is at an academic institution.

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Parent's Weekend fallout

AMANDA TAYLOR
REFLECTIONS

In writing this week's reflections, I am hopingthat my parents will never read this article. See, you are intrigued already. I am sorry for getting your hopes up, but this has nothing to do with beer, sex, or the fact that I have discovered the relative lack of importance of sleep and proper nutrition. These reflections concern the fact that I just barely survived last weekend.

Having never experienced a "Parent's Weekend" before, I did not really know what to expect. During all of last week I looked forward to the event, envisioning better food in the dining halls, and hugs from my mom and dad. I was not wrong about either of those things, and was happy to see my parents. It was, however, one of the most stressful experiences I have had since I arrived here.

The reason for this is not, as some of you may be guessing, that I am living a double life and had to "hide the evidence." I was not among the many students who spent their Saturday mornings cheerfully throwing Old Mill cans out the window and shoving their boyfriend, girlfriend, or kilo under the bed as their parents knocked on the door bearing tins of homemade cookies and winter clothes. Then why did I collapse thankfully on to the grass when the family car pulled out onto to College Hill Road on Sunday afternoon? Why did the campus practically come to a standstill on Sunday night as students recovered from a seemingly innocuous "pleasant visit" with their parents?

My first theory is the entertainment factor. Trying to find stuff to do with your family goes way beyond taking care of your bratty cousin Johnny and singing "The Song That Never Ends." You must find things that "we can all enjoy" so you show them around campus, feeling like a tour guide (and to your horror, even using some of the same jokes). The worst part is taking your parents to meet your friends. Do your friends want to meet your parents? No, they are having enough problems entertaining their own parents. Why would they want to entertain yours as well? So as you and your friends discuss entertainment strategies, their parents and your parents talk about absolutely nothing. However, the entertainment factor can not be the main cause of Parent's Weekend stress because it's more strategic than emotional, and there are ways around it. Some students have suggested a day care program for parents, equipped with arts and crafts, sports, and day hikes around campus. Maybe next year. So what is the real problem?

This leads us to the next theory. The embarrassment factor. On behalf all of the poor souls out there whose parents elected to come to class with them on Friday afternoon and on behalf of the poorer souls whose parents actually opened their mouths when they came to class, it seems that we are still not beyond the parental embarrassment factor. As you are walking through the quad, your mother invariably says (at full volume), "well that boy certainly has not cut his hair for a while". I' even heard about one parent getting down on his hands and knees to inspect the floor work in Commons. However, despite these gems, I do not think that embarrassment is the core problem either. Not only does everyone go through it together, we are all used to the generation gap and having our parents embarrass us in public. It is a requirement for ascendency into adulthood.

The question remains– what causes Parent's Weekend Fallout? I have come to the conclusion that it is quite simple. It is all about who you think they think you are. From the moment your parents knock on your door, you begin seeing everything from what you imagine is their point of view, therefore constantly judging yourself and assessing the choices that you have been forced to make without their aid as a sounding board. You suddenly find yourself envisioning two selves, the one that you think your parents expect to see, and the one that you want to show them you have become. You spend the whole day subconsciously deciding what should come out of your mouth, who you should wave to, and why. What you are doing in fighting this projected intrusion is taking on your worst enemy, yourself. Psychologically speaking, this can not be anything other than stressful and exhausting.

If this situation does not describe what you went through on Parents' Weekend but you kept reading this article because you were either angry, amused, or self-righteous, you have my apologies. I am sure this does not happen to everyone, and as time passes, the effect lessens. However, for those of you who are only now decompressing from the stress of Parents Weekend, know that you are not alone. No matter how much you love your parents and want to spend time with them, it is bound to be stressful to try to give them a tour of the life that you have found for yourself, while doubting the approval of the very people who have given you the basis to make this discovery.

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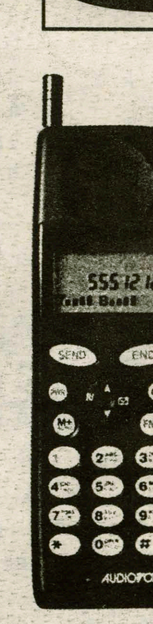

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You'll pay for breaking my catapult

This week I write to warn you of an evil power that is slowly taking control of our society. Not Kaiserism, or even the Know-nothings. The evil I speak of is Potpourri. In a recent trip to the bathroom I had an epiphany. Actually, I thought of a strongly paranoid and slightly disturbing rationale behind my dislike of the fragrant concoction.

Potpourri is a Napoleonic scheme dating back to 1815 in its attempt to destroy our society. The fact that it is Napoleonic is especially hateful, as I also strongly dislike 5 foot 2 French generals who proclaim themselves Emperor. Although, he did not surrender to any Germans who happened to wander into his backyard like the rest of the French army has an annoying tendency to do.

Not that I dislike the French. I do like them. I have many French friends, like Pepe Le'pew. They do have many redeeming qualities. I have enjoyed many good pastries. A recent Parent's Weekend attempt at consuming pate proved my old suspicions about French things to be relatively unfounded. Food-wise, at least.

It is just Potpourri with which I have a problem. The first thing is the name. I was eight years old when I realized that "pot-pourry" was not pronounced that way. Like "bouquet" did not sound like "bucket." These French words annoyed me at an early age because I was young and foolhardy. But I also had a sneaking suspicion, even at that young age, that the French word for "bouquet" was not "bunchofflowers." Which, surprisingly, is the French word for potpourri.

Anyways, back to the Napoleonic scheme. Napoleon, after losing at Waterloo (literally: Flush Toilet) and being banished from France a second time (apparently that first banishment did not do the trick), decided the only way he could defeat the world was by hypnotizing them with sickeningly sweet flower smells, and then overtaking them with his forces! Unfortunately for Napoleon (but fortunate for the rest of Europe), spray-cans and plug-ins would not be invented until the horrifyingly flowery year of 1948.

BEN ZOLL
THEY CALL HIM

It was three years after the second world war and two years before the first Korean war (the second being that riot in Big Butte, Montana at a Kia dealership). Harry Truman had just been elected in a surprising victory captured in the opening scene of *Cheers*. The Germans were busy trying to figure out how to run a country without beating up France, and France was deciding how not to get beaten up by Germany again. The answer?

Potpourri.

French scientists who had surrendered to Germany in 1927 had been busy working on a secret project of the Germans called "Project Offe." The idea was to create an American repellent that would smell like health food. When the Allies terminated Project Offe at the end of the War, France took back the scientists to start "Project Notagain," a top-secret, Anti-German repellent that would lull the Germans with a sweet odor, leaving the country relatively tired and non-aggressive. They named the result "Potpourri." (Literally: bunchofflowers). Frightening, and in spray or plug-in form.

"But don't they have Potpourri in France?" you say. Yes, but if you look closely it is broken up flowers in little glass jars. It is the non-drowsy form that simply makes you extraordinarily hungry for some good croissants. And maybe a little standoffish. But I am not saying anything here, you know. Mind your own business!

Sorry, I get a little carried away. The Doctor came by yesterday and said I had caught The Shakes from old Willie Mayfield, but I always said that Doc was a quack. I just need a little sip o' the Nerve Tonic once in awhile to make it all better. There, that is the stuff. What was I getting mad about?

Oh, yes, that's right, the Kaiser. He was trying to institute mandatory acapella groups across the Free World, but old Willie and I were God-fearing bull moose men back then and joined up in ought-six to show that commie bastard what war was. So there I was hunkered down in a foxhole, and I caught a whiff of something. Potpourri. It's that Kaiser, I tell you! First the jitterbug, now an air freshener! Is nothing sacred?

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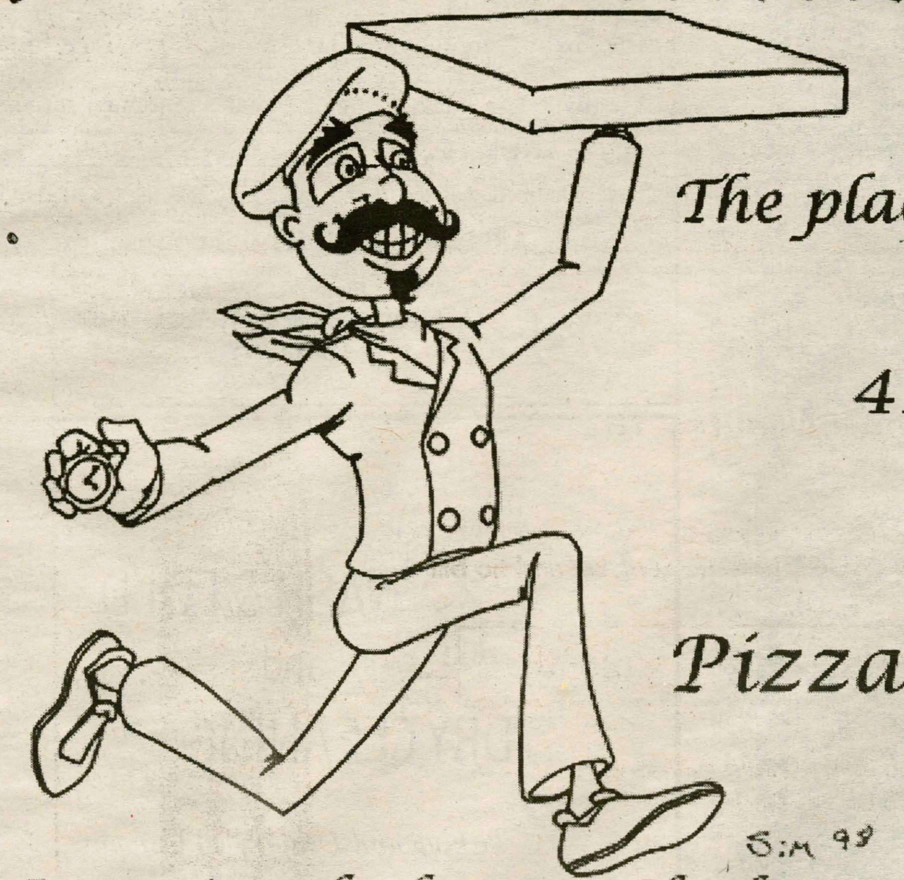

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King of blues ; B.B. King, electrifying in field house
At seventy-three his energy and charisma still captivates

by James O'Shaughnessy '00
A&E EDITOR

When B.B. King "makes love to Lucille" he electrifies crowds. On Tuesday, October 20, he arrived on the Hill to a very mixed crowd, and proceeded to make sweet, sweet love to his shiny black six string guitar. His energetic stage presence, sense of humor and charisma came from deep within his soul. B.B. played an outstanding performance, leaving students, adults, and long time fans blissfully reminded of the reason he remains a legend even at 73 years of age.

Riley B. King was born September 16, 1925 into the Mississippi Delta River culture of the plantation South, in Itta Bene, Mississippi, just outside Indianola. He started playing on the sidewalk between Church and Second Street for dimes in his early days. Eventually, King journeyed to Memphis, Tennessee, America's music Mecca. His dream was to pursue a career in music, not only because he loved music, but as the only means for him to break free from the grip poverty had on his community.

His style is characterized by a liberal use of bends and jazzy sounding blues runs. He caresses his guitar, comfortably and uncluttered. He holds Lucille with love, sometimes away from his body in admiration, sometimes close to his heart like a mother holding a newborn baby. King and Lucille know each other well, and feel comfortable swinging in each other's arms, singing to crowds of blues hungry fans.

It has been said that King knows how to play the right note at the right time, and when to balance a solo with comfortable silence. Like a healthy relationship, King knows that it's sometimes better to let the silence speak for the comfort and understanding people feel with each other. This mature, confident approach is the reason King has been so instrumental in bringing blues into the main stream.

The show began with a jazzy warm-up performance by the B.B. King Blues Band. Armed with trumpet, coronet, and baritone sax players in the horn section, two drummers playing individual sets, an organist and pianist, the back-up band woke up the capacity crowd at the Margaret Bundy Scott Field House.

After the Band played some warm-up jazz, King made his way to the stage, and was greeted by a standing ovation. He floated gracefully onto the stage, grabbed a gentle hold of his Lucille, and made love to her. He played, purple, sparkling, B.B.-style, unbroken blues soul.

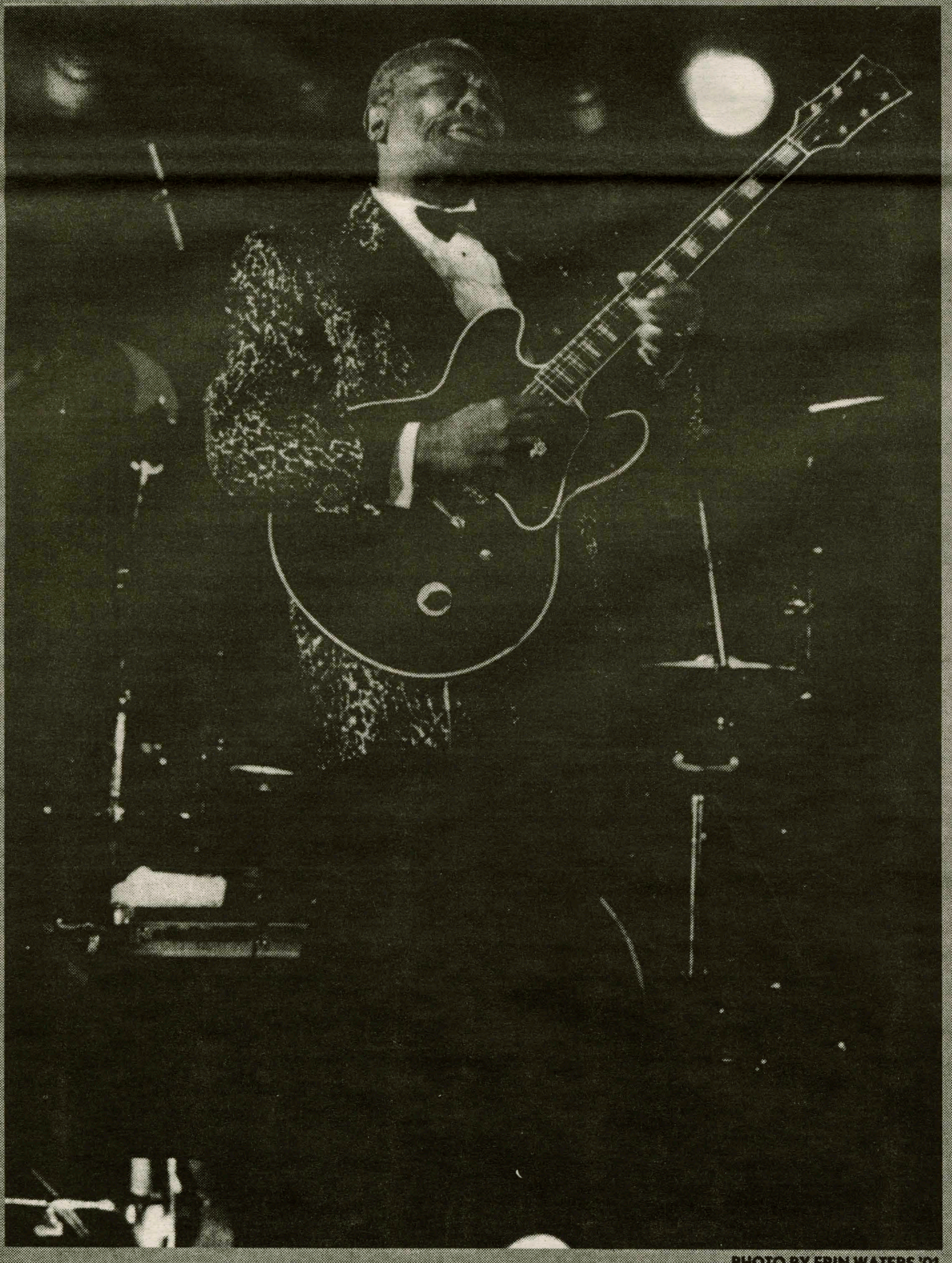
"Let the good times roll," he cried, "I don't care if you're young or old, let the good times roll." Prophetic lyrics from the belly of this handsomely rotund, guitar legend. You could tell from the moment he hit the stage and started playing that, "B.B.'s in town." Mouth wide open, he strummed his guitar smiling in surprise by how energized the crowd still makes him. Forty years of blues, and he still plays with eternal brilliance.

After his first song, King forgot the name of the number he had just played, "that shows ya I'm getting old at 73," he cried. Next, he played a new song from a rare studio recording called "I'll Survive" from the album *Blues on the Bayou*. The message of this song was that, "if we have ever been in love, we think that our love is stronger than the love of our partner." His words are simple and true. They demonstrate an incredible understanding of human nature that transcends time and generations. He played "Payin' the cost to be the Boss" from the album *Deuce's Wild* next, and followed that with "Darling, you know that I love you."

The climax of his performance came when King played his most famous song, "The Thrill is Gone." He played so well his shoulders went crooked, his cheeks rose to meet his eyes, and a round smile erupted above his chubby chin. The crowd responded with delight, and King received a standing ovation and whistles and cheers that rang deafeningly into the rafters. When he plays, he clenches his lips, savoring that sweet joy of music. King can still play, because he's never lost his bluesy, bang-wallop-umm.

The crowd was also delighted with "Been down hearted baby," another popular favorite, as well as "Since I met you baby." His back-up band was absolutely fabulous. One would think that it's tough being the back up band for a legend like B.B. King. For one thing, you know you are playing with the best that there is. That's a lot of pressure. At the same time, you've got to be good to play with B.B., and sometimes you do not get the recognition you deserve for being that good. These musicians played an impressive set, and have been doing so for the last twenty years. The band is made up of members Leon Warren, rhythm guitar; James Tony, piano and keyboard; "Mighty" Mike Dorster, bass; Melvin Jackson, saxophone; Stanley Abenake, corset and trumpet; Caleb Emfry and Tony Coleman, drums. The complement of the organ and the brave solos on electric guitar proved to be impressive and outstanding to the gathered crowd.

The performance Tuesday impressed everyone in attendance. Finally Hamilton attracted a performer that appealed to everyone and brought people of different generations together. The general consensus was very positive. Sarah Einhorn '99 said that she "loved the performance, especially the crowd interaction." The performance was magical. Seeing B.B. King playing live at our own College will remain a memory for the rest of our lives. It was the kind of experience that many of us will tell our children and grandchildren. So, let's put our hands together for the King of the blues and the Great Names Series Committee for bringing B.B. King's to us as part of this year's renouned series.



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As part of the *Great Names Series*, B.B. King played to a crowded Field House Tuesday night. When he got on stage and made love to his Gibson six-string guitar, "Lucille", fans of all ages were electrified by his musical genius.

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A&E ASTROLOGER

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(Oct. 24-Nov. 22)
Something amazing is going to happen to you, Scorpio. Be prepared for anything:, last minute travel, surprise encounters...always have your teeth brushed! This is going to be a once in a lifetime opportunity. Your lucky hygiene product is: floss.

Sagittarius
(Nov. 23-Dec. 21)
This weekend may not be the highlight of the year but it will put a smile on your face. The moon has entered your house and shows you prospering in all endeavors you undertake. Your lucky free meal is: falafel.

Capricorn
(Dec. 22- Jan. 20)
Has the cold wind been making you a bit depressed? Just imagine how much worse it could be. Why don't you seek out someone to keep you warm, you have the charms. Your lucky direction is: South.

Aquarius
(Jan 21-Feb. 19)
Does it always seem like the best times last only for a second while the bad times stick around for far too long? Maybe you need to take a bit more initiative in your own life. You have a bit more power than fate these days. Your lucky spot is: the Chapel.

Pisces
(Feb 20-March 20)
That sense of humor and ability to charm can get you anywhere. Why don't you try and use it for a profit? Financial endeavors are promising for you. Your lucky tie is: a bowtie.

Aries
(March 21-April 20)
So you are hating the cold weather more than ever before, Aries. Think of how much worse it could be and that optimistic outlook will pull you through. Also, the love in your life will keep your spirits up in spite of anything negative. Your lucky bone is: the hip bone.

Taurus
(April 21-May 21)
Have sports been dominating your life? No more time for excuses, you need to take a hold of your priorities. Whether it be physical distractions or the television, you must put a foot down and concentrate on what's important. Your lucky nugget is: a chicken one.

Gemini
(May 22-June 21)
Do you feel like doing things that are totally out of your character, Gemini? It's the twin acting out. Why don't you try a walk on the wild side this weekend and see if it causes any damage. Your lucky split is: a banana.

Cancer
(June 22-July 22)
Are you messing with the law, Cancer? This really isn't a good time for you to be pressing your luck. Cancerians need stability, you are not a crazy person by nature. Face the facts and get it together. Your lucky mail is: on it's way.

Leo
(July 23-August 23)
When I said to bring back the past, I didn't mean to act like a stupid little kid again, Leo. Your body has gotten older you can't abuse it too much. Plus, you are now responsible for your actions and your messes. Clean yourself up. Your lucky holiday is: Halloween.

Virgo
(August 24- September 23)
I know it's easier to complain then to deal with a situation, but you've got to be tough. Some uncomfortable times are potentially in your future, but you will make it through them. However, it won't happen over night. Your lucky catalog is: LL Bean.

Libra
(September 24-October 23)
Your time in the spotlight has faded away, Libra. However, your talents and successes won't stop shining. Be sure not to rub it in others faces and you will cruise through the month happily. Your lucky team is: the Yankees.

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MOVIES IN REVIEW

What Dreams May Come B

by Matthew Olney '01
MOVIE REVIEWER

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Chris*, Robin Williams, and *Annie*, Annabella Sciorra, create a Paradise of their own in *What Dreams May Come.

Robin Williams (*Good Will Hunting*), Cuba Gooding Jr. (*Jerry McGuire*) and Annabella Sciorra (*Reversal Of Fortune*) star in Vincent Ward's (*Map Of The Human Heart*) latest film about loss, hope, and eternal love. *What Dreams May Come* dives into a topic most filmmakers do not dare to touch: the afterlife. Ward covers this topic well, incorporating impressive special effects in what may arguably be called his best film yet.

The movie begins with young Chris (Williams), a doctor, and Annie (Sciorra), a painter, meeting on a picturesque lake in Switzerland. They marry and lead normal, happy lives until years later when their children are killed in a car accident. They live with the pain and suffering for four years, until Chris is killed in a car accident as well. Chris, guided by Albert (Gooding Jr.), enters a heaven in which the deceased creates his own surroundings. Chris creates his heaven from his wife's painting of theirdream house. The movie switches back and forth between Chris in heaven, his suffering wife trying to cope with her losses, and flashbacks revealing the painful and incomplete lives Chris and Annie led after the death of their children.

Although the heaven in which Chris exists is more beautiful than anything his wife painted, he cannot find happiness without her. Annie continues to live in pain, and she eventually commits suicide, and ends up in hell. Chris leaves his children, whom he meets while in heaven, to save his soul-mate from an eternity in hell.

The flashbacks are a clever way to reveal the pain and suffering Chris and Annie went through, but are not enough to save a predictable plot. The numerous twists and turns are not necessary and hurt the overall effectiveness of the film.

While the movie lacks in plot originality, the actors, namely Williams and Sciorra, provide a good performance. Williams, although not quite at his Oscar-winning form, does a wonderful job at keeping the romance and compassion alive in this depressing film. Even though Sciorra's role is not as convincing as that of Juliette Binoche, who also loses her family to a car crash, in Keslowski's 1993 film *Blue*, she does a wonderful job showing the pain and suffering one can go through after experiencing the loss of loved ones.

The strength of the film lies in its effects and cinematography. Joel Hynek and Nicholas Brooks create amazing visual effects, while Eugenio Zanetti does an incredible job designing the set. The heaven and hell they create are both a sight to see, especially on the big screen.

I recommend *What Dreams May Come* for its solid acting and great effects. It is a tear-jerker, so bring some tissues. You may be a little disappointed with the plot and some overly melodramatic scenes, but you will be more than amazed with the effects and set design. It is not Oscar caliber but well made nonetheless.

Restaraunt Review

Cleanse your palate at the *Runcible Spoon*

by Julie Raynsford '00
SPECIAL TO THE SPECTATOR

It's Wednesday afternoon, you are hungry, but not McEwen hungry or Commons hungry. You are in the mood for something new. (Of course we all appreciate the newly renovated Commons, but we can only have so much macaroni and cheese before we become bored with it.) Does this sound familiar? If it does, I have great news for you! With a hop, skip, and a jump you could be enjoying a meal that is out of this world. I am referring to a fairly new café, *Runcible Spoon*, conveniently located in downtown Clinton.

Originally from California, proprietor Nancy Soule is responsible for the delicious edibles that are served at *Runcible Spoon*. Not only does she create a lunch menu that changes daily, but she also has at least seven different desserts to chose from. And get this: Soule makes everything from scratch. She is what you could call your "Home Away From Home Mom."

Since the lunch menu changes every day, there is a nice variety of foods to choose from: a main salad, at least two different side dishes and a "soup-of-the-day." In addition, there are several distinct sandwiches and at least one, if not more, vegetarian dishes available.

The signature meal at *Runcible Spoon* is Lahvosh, available with or without meat. Basically, this is American flat bread laced with herbs and cheese, then stuffed with vegetables, black bean humus (optional), and meat, if desired. Lastly, the stuffed bread is rolled and sliced into three pinwheels. The festive sandwich is served with your choice of a side dish.

The cuisine served at the *Runcible Spoon* is HEALTHY!!! Of course, everything is home made, but the ingredients are also all natural. Pasta salads include black beans with balsamic vinaigrette. Side dishes include tabouli tossed with fresh vegetables in a light marinade. Onion, as well as roasted butternut squash, are two rather popular soups. As Soule reminded me, *Runcible Spoon* is not your basic Italian buffet. Rather, it offers hearty, wholesome meals.

So far, I have enjoyed a Mediterranean Tuna Salad Sandwich that was served on a delicate, fresh, miniature loaf of bread. Yummy! I have also had a side dish of black bean salad and the turkey wrap, both of which were both very satisfying.

Aside from the amazing sandwiches that Soule is responsible for, one cannot forget her delicious desserts. Now I will admit, I was a naughty girl and had a cranberry scone. Let me just say one word: "Wow!!!" In addition to the specialty-flavored scones, there are several different cookies, brownies, and pies to satisfy your sweet tooth.

I highly recomm end *Runcible Spoon* for anyone who is looking to add a little something different to his or her diet.

Exiles crush Rochester

Men's rugby goes 4-1

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10 and it looked as if the Rats might be back in the game. "At this point we realized that if we were going to put this game away it was going to be the pack that would have to step up," Craig Breismeister '00 said.

After Rochester's second score, it was indeed that pack that stepped up. Led by hooker Clarke Collins '99 the Exiles were able to steal and win numerous scrums, helping them keep possession of the ball.

"Ethan [Horvitz '00] and Pat [Hibbard '99] did a great job supporting me," Collins said of his success in stealing scrums, "Plus with Breismeister and Matt Kane '99 moving the scrum the way they were, it was easy for me to do my job."

With the pack dominating in the scrum, Bolger was able to score a try identical to the one in the first half. Taking the ball out of a scrum, Bolger plunged into the try zone making the score 24-10. Hazard converted on the kick putting Hamilton up by 17.

The play of the pack in the scrum and Bolger's score seemed to break Rochester back. With the Rat's worn down, the Hamilton backline was able to put together some successful passes as Cournoyer put the final nail in the coffin by scoring his second try of the game, again taking a pass from Brand and breaking several tackles en route to the try zone.

Cournoyer's try put the final score at 31-10 in Hamilton's favor. Next up for Hamilton is Niagara at home in the regular season finale tomorrow.

The Exile's are expected to use this game as a final tune-up before heading to the State Championship. Good luck to the state champions.

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> **-Craig Breismeister '00**

Women's tennis goes 8-2 on season

Continentals have successful state championships

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Billy Austin says of the weekend, "We knew we were going to have a tough first round match with St. Lawrence, who ended up beating us 5-4.

"Previously we had beaten them 5-4 in the dual matches, so we knew it would be tough. St. Lawrence played well and took the number one and number two doubles, and we took the number three doubles. We split the singles, and that was the match. The gals played well, but I have to give St. Lawrence credit, because they played well, especially in the doubles. We were able to beat Clarkson 9-0, and William Smith 7-2. Overall, it was a good weekend, and set us up for the States. Eileen "Wild Woman" Wildman '01 was recognized as UCAA Overall All-Conference."

At the State Championship this past weekend, the team tied with Vassar for fifth place out of eighteen teams. Wildman played well at the number one spot, making it to the quarters before falling to the number one seed from Rochester.

Mindy "Ring My" Bell '00, at the number two spot, faced a tough draw in the first round, losing 6-2, 6-3 to the number one seed and eventual winner from Skidmore.

At the number three spot, Emma "The Slayer" McLaren '99 played a tough match, succumbing to a Nazareth player 6-0, 6-1.

Jessica "Powerhouse" Li Shih '01, playing in her first full singles match all season, played well making it to the quarters before losing 6-2, 7-5 to the number one seed and winner from Skidmore. Ana "Ace" Venturas '02 played well at the number five spot, beating two players before losing in the quarters to the eventual winner. Nicole "Slice" Barnard '00 faced a tough opponent in the first round, losing 6-4, 6-2.

In doubles, Wildman and Bell made it to the quarter finals, but were beaten by the number one doubles team from St. Lawrence.

McLaren and Barnard fell to the second seeded team from Rochester in the first round at the number two doubles, while Venturas and Li Shih beat the team from Geneseo before falling to Vassar.

Coach Austin states, "We were hoping to make top five, and we were able to reach that goal. I thought we played very well, with the best match of the tournament was the semifinals of the doubles matches when Eileen and Mindy played the St. Lawrence team.

We lost in the second set of the tie-breaker, but it was a great tennis match.

Based on these tourneys and the season, we have a strong nucleus of players of players despite losing two gals to graduation." The Women's' Tennis team ended with a final record of 8-2 dual meet record.

In addition to going 8-2, the women's tennis team made huge strides. They proved to themselves and to the Hamilton College community that they have not lost a step since last year's spectacular performance. Next year will see the same type of test of talent, and the women will surely rise to the challenge. All in all, a great season.

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Hamilton hits harsh streak after hard week

by Nikki Sarris '02
SPORTS WRITER

The past three games for the women's soccer team have not been the best examples of Hamilton's playing ability. On October 15 the women's soccer team did battle with Skidmore. It was their first of three games on turf, which affected their play. Coach Viscomi said, "We played too tentatively throughout the contest to really challenge the opposition." Hamilton just couldn't get its head in the game, which ended up costing them a 1-0 loss. Co-Captain Azure Davey '00 simply commented, "We just were not ready to play the game and Skidmore took advantage of it." It was a tough loss for Hamilton, who felt that the playing surface had definitly worked against them. Once again, Coach Viscomi explained, "Anytime you play on turf, it's a one goal advantage for the home team. That's how drastically the game changes going from grass to artificial turf."

PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01
The team will try and forget this past week and focus on the Colby game this weekend.

The next game against Rensselaer (RPI) gave the women a lift they needed. This was an exciting game to watch from start to finish. The fact that it was played under the lights and on turf only heightened the drama. Goalkeeper Brenna Chiaputti '02 "had an outstanding game in goal," said Coach Viscomi. She had no chance on the second shot that went in, which did not detract from her sparkling performance.

Co-captain Courtney Zimmer '00 converted a penalty kick into a goal, which helped Hamilton regain their composure in the first half. Julia Guastella's '02 goal early in the second half tied up the game and fired up Hamilton.

The momentum just picked up after this point. Sarah Hall '01, playing in her first start of the season, also had a stellar game. Her distribution of the ball up top created many dangerous scoring opportunities for Hamilton, which pleased Coach Viscomi tremendously. Chiaputti said, "Coming off such a bad game [against Skidmore] this win lifted the team."

Talk to anyone on team about their game against Rochester and they'll probably roll their eyes and get a bit angry. The 4-1 loss was not something the team expected, or accepted. Cold, windy conditions added to the challenge of once again playing on turf. Sarah Hall '01 drilled in a goal on a beautiful counter-attack play to put Hamilton ahead 1-0. Unfortunately, that seemed to be the only thing Rochester needed to motivate them and they immediately came back with two goals of their own.

Chiaputti '02 commented, "[Rochester] was a great team. We started out psyched, but after the second goal we just shut down."

Hamilton had two great scoring opportunities within the first three minutes of the second half, which could have potentially tied the game.

Guastella had a tremendous shot that was stopped by an exceptional save by the keeper. Sarah Schwob '00 had a great opportunity squelched off a corner once again by the solid Rochester keeper.

Hamilton's defense suffered when starting back Liz Greene '01 came out the first half due to injury. Jess Elliott '02 stepped up to fill the gap though, and played a phenomenal game defensively.

With only two games left before post-season play, Hamilton has to take advantage of their team unity and compatibility and concentrate on winning the next two games. They certainly have the potential, as the beginning of their season demonstrated.

Co-captain Courtney Zimmer '00 recognizes the urgency of the situation, and offers this pep talk to the team to get them back in gear:

"So we only have 2 games left. There's no doubt about it that we have the ability to beat Utica and Colby. . . We need to regain confidence and play to our capabilities. This late in the season we no longer can hold out and say 'well there's always next time' cause 'next time' is quickly disappearing."

Women's cross-country 15-0

Continentals out-run all opponents

by Michael Everheart '02
SPORTS WRITER

The women's cross-country team continued its domination by easily defeating Lemoyne, William Smith, and St. John Fisher this past weekend at Seneca Lake State Park.

Emily Hill '01 commented that, "For the first time in two years, we finished our dual meet season undefeated and as UCAA champions!! The other teams we raced against on Saturday were not very strong, so Coach Hull divided up our team for an inter-squad meet held within the actual meet. Due to the completely flat course at Seneca Lake State Park, many Hamilton runners ran personal bests, and all the times were generally pretty fast."

Tara Woolford '99 finished first overall under windy conditions, establishing the new course record with a time of 18:52. The top 5 Hamilton finishers including Woolford were Katie Wasilenko '99, Annie Toth '02, Maggie Hanson '02, and Kate McAuliffe '99, with times of 19:08, 19:13 19:28, and 20:28, respectively.

There was only 4 minutes, 10 seconds between the fastest and slowest Hamilton runner.

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> - Tara Woolford '99

McAuliffe believes that the pack is the key to the team's success. "I think the meet this weekend was a good chance for us to work together in a pack. We ran well on a nice flat course. The real challenge comes with facing the strong NESCAC teams this weekend. We traditionally have struggled at NESCACS but we have a strong pack this year and are looking to improve on last year's eighth place finish [out of eleven teams]. To place well we will need to really work together on Trinity [College]'s hilly course."

Looking at the team's success thus far, Woolford expects to do well at the large upcoming meets in a couple weeks.

"We're off this coming weekend, then it's NESCACS, States, and Regionals after that. The unity and teamwork of this year's squad has been amazing. Anyone who thinks cross-country is just an individual sport should take a look at our team. Our undefeated dual meet season and UCAA Championship win are proof that we can be among the top teams in the upcoming championship meets."

Although the team has not seen any other NESCAC squads this season, it has shown that it has the ability to improve on last year's eighth place finish.

Football still winless after four games

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wanted to make something clear. "We are playing 3-deep, which simply means three guys covering the field or basically dividing the field up into thirds. The problem is they're [the cornerbacks and safties] looking to cheat up on the run and that allows them to get burned when the other team throws deep. We're going with three freshmen in the secondary, and they lack experience. The experience tells you when to make those decisions and when you should not."

When asked whether the Continentals might explore the possibility of a 4-3-4 defense (four defensive linemen, three linebackers), Frank responded, "In our estimation, 3-deep is the best defensive scheme for our team. We had three guys get beat four times, and they have to do a better job. But it is not the d-backs fault entirely, because we need a better pass rush, and if we get that, then in the future we will do a better job defending those deep balls. Those big plays are more a reflection of the whole defense not doing a good job."

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Co-captain and defensive lineman Jim Davis '99 added, "We can't pin the loss on anybody. We need to get a consistent pass rush, because if everyone does their job we should shut them down. We have to work on coverage and getting to the quarterback. The loss was unfortunate." As for this week's game against Colby, the Continentals will face a pretty basic offense. "The White Mules run basic traps, three-step drops, but really nothing fancy," said defensive lineman Dan Maunz '99. "If we execute well, I don't see any reason we shouldn't be able to stop them. They will use their tight end a lot. They're a lot like us. They don't have dominating athletes, but they're coached well and have good techniques."

Men's x-country wins big over weekend

by Emily Hill '01
SPORTS WRITER

This past Saturday the men's cross-country team came home with decisive wins over St. John Fisher and Lemoyne. Beating LeMoyne was especially sweet because they had beaten Hamilton by a large margin last year.

The meet was held on Hobart and William Smith's 5 mile course at Seneca Lake State Park. Completely flat, with a few speed bumps constituting the only "hills" on the course, the men's times were generally very fast. The overcast and cool weather was also a benefit.

Sophomores dominated the top pack for Hamilton. "Downtown" Sam Brown '01 powered to the finish line second overall, and came in first for Hamilton with a personal record (PR) of 26:13. Scott Taylor '01 also put in a very strong performance, coming in close behind Brown with a PR of 26:17.

Next across the line for the Continentals was Shane Tibbitts '01, in a time of 27:01.

The top six runners were rounded out by Mac Weiss '02, co-captain Phil Jennings '99, and Steve Guditus '01, who came in one after the other in 27:17, 27:22, and 27:25 respectively.

While not all the men got PR's or felt particularly strong, they ran well as a whole.

As a result of this teamwork, the men shut out their competition and finished their dual meet season with a winning record.

In Guditus' words, "It was a great team race. We went out together, and tried to stick together." This strategy will be crucial for success at the NESCAC's on November 1st, where Hamilton will face some of the best Division III teams in the nation. If the cross-country team wants to be competitive, it is necessary to continue this pack strategy. After their accomplishment last Saturday, the men should be prepped for success. As Guditus said, "This win was a definite confidence booster."

Even though the team does not have a meet this weekend, that does not mean that they won't be working hard. On the contrary, the most difficult and intense training of the season occurs during these "free" weeks. The additional training time allows the team to thoroughly prepare for the upcoming championship races.

This Week In Hamilton Sports

	Football	Field Hockey	Men's Golf	Men's Soccer	Women's Soccer	Rugby	Crew	Volley-ball	X-Country
Fri. Oct 23								Hall of Fame	
Sat. Oct 24	Colby noon	Colby 2 pm		Colby 1:30 pm	Colby 11 am	Niagara 1 pm	Head of the Schuylkill 12:15 pm	Tourney TBA	
Sun. Oct 25									
Mon. Oct 26									
Tues. Oct 27									
Wed. Oct 28		NYSWCAA Tourney TBA		Rensselaer 4 pm					
Thur. Oct 29									
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Beat the Experts

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NFL					
Jacksonville at Denver 10/25	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Jaguars	Broncos
New England at Miami 10/25	Dolphins	Dolphins	Patriots	Dolphins	Dolphins
Baltimore at Green Bay 10/25	Packers	Packers	Packers	Ravens	Packers
Seattle at San Diego 10/25	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Chargers	Seahawks
San Francisco at St. Louis 10/25	49ers	49ers	49ers	Rams	49ers
Tampa Bay at New Orleans 10/25	Buccaneers	Buccaneers	Saints	Saints	Saints
Buffalo at Carolina 10/25	Bills	Bills	Bills	Panthers	Bills
Pittsburgh at Kansas City 10/26	Steelers	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs
College Football					
Alabama at Tennessee 10/24	Crimson Tide	Vols	Vols	Vols	Crimson Tide
Florida State at Georgia Tech 10/24	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles	Yellow Jackets	Seminoles
Georgia at Kentucky 10/24	Wildcats	Wildcats	Wildcats	Bulldogs	Bulldogs
Miami at West Virginia 10/24	Hurricanes	Mountaineers	Mountaineers	Mountaineers	Mountaineers

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Baseball is back!

Nevada renews Tyson's license

Dave Bolger

A View From The Bleachers

Baseball is Back!

My how things have changed. Think back to 1994. Baseball was on strike and in danger of losing its title as America's pastime. Some sports fans didn't even consider baseball one of the top three sports. Football had the Cowboys and the 49ers. Basketball had Michael and the Bulls, Shaq, and a whole assortment of bankable stars.

Even hockey, always the low man on the totem pole, had a magical season in which The New York Rangers, a team in a major market, won its first championship in 54 years and captured the hearts and interest of the Big Apple. It looked as if baseball was dead.

Four years later, baseball has returned to the front of the pack. And it isn't just this fantastic season that has put baseball back on the map. First, hockey shot itself in the foot.

After the great season in 94, things seemed promising. Hockey was actually getting some attention. But then a lockout caused the NHL to cancel games and fans turned away in droves and soon forgot how exciting the sport was.

Basketball has taken the same route as hockey. With the most marketable star in the world, the NBA could do no wrong. The Bulls were America's new team and everywhere you looked you saw an NBA players face. On the TV, on billboards, on cereal boxes, everywhere.

Now the owners lockout the players and force the league to begin canceling games. Perfect timing for baseball. During a time when many fans turn away from basketball to concentrate on the hardwood, the lack of basketball has kept the fans tuned in to baseball.

Football hasn't really done anything to lose its fans, but it hasn't really done anything to attract new ones either. The sport lacks that true star that basketball has in Jordan and baseball now has in Mark McGwire.

It's still the one sport that can give baseball a run for its money. But as I have said in the past, when Fox's NFL studio show spends ten minutes talking about baseball you know what the most popular sport is.

Even Monday Night Football's studio show with Chris Berman shows highlight's of baseball.

As much as I hate and to admit it, the changes that baseball has made to its scheduling and play-off format have played a tremendous role in baseball's rise to glory again.

As a baseball purist I despised the wildcard system, but I must admit it works. It keeps fans interested and creates more excitement at the end of the season. Who can say the race and subsequent one game play-off between the Giants and Cubs wasn't thrilling?

Ask any Red Sox fans if the wildcard system works. After finishing with the second best record in the American League, in the old system the Sox would have missed the play-offs.

In the new system, however, the were able to make it and give the Fenway Faithful a few more weeks of baseball. It also pains the heart, but inter-league play works as well.

The Mets-Yankees series this summer was one of the most exciting series of the year. Again, this change had brought on some new excitement and has sparked more interest in the game.

Now of course a big reason for baseball's resurgence is the events of this season. The homerun chase, David Wells, Kerry Wood, Roger Clemens, Cal Ripken, and to top it off, the Yankees.

Knowing that it is coming off a season that would give most people in PR wet dreams, Major League Baseball is set to capitalize on this new interest in baseball. There have already been numerous commercials thanking the fans for their support. Hey, some good 'ol fashioned brown nosing never hurt.

For several years baseball as tried to market some of its stars. Ken Griffey Jr. became the posterboy for the sport.

He had the million dollar personality and smile and the talent to back it up. Something was lacking though. People never really took Griffey serious as a real superstar.

Now baseball has McGwire. Even his nickname makes it easy to market him. We've already seen the Big Mac McDonald's commercials. If you haven't grown tired of see McGwire's face on TV yet, you will. Baseball is going to ride McGwire's fame all the way to the bank.

And if you haven't jumped on the baseball bandwagon yet, get ready. Baseball is back!

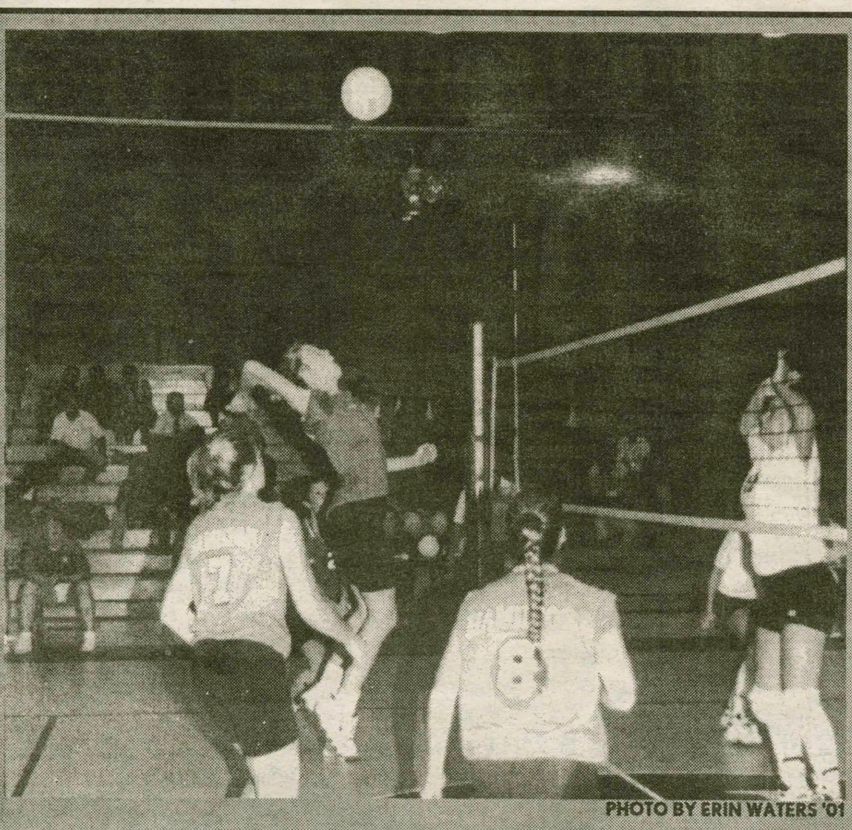
Final Thought on Tyson

I have spent a great deal of time bashing Mike Tyson and arguing he doesn't deserve a boxing license. Well, on Monday the Nevada State Athletic Commission brought to reality my worst nightmare and gave Iron Mike his license back. I truly hope he finally realizes that this is it.

I hope he takes this chance he has been given and finally becomes the great heavyweight he was expected to become.

With two of the most respected people in sports, Muhammad Ali and Magic Johnson, in his corner, maybe Tyson finally has some direction. As much as I have bashed him, I wish him luck and will be rooting for him.

Volleyball to face Williams this week



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After tough competition at the NESCAC tournament, the Hamilton Volleyball team will face an even tougher opponent: Williams.

by David Zane'02
SPORTS WRITER

Last Friday afternoon the Hamilton volleyball team headed off to Middlebury for the NESCAC Quad Tournament. This tournament proved to be a good test for the Continentals because they will be seeing these three teams in many of the upcoming tournaments.

At the tournament Hamilton went 1-2, improving their overall record to 5-10. The team saw some very tough competition this weekend playing powerhouses Middlebury, Bowdoin, and Williams. All three schools are all recognized as tough volleyball opponents throughout the NESCAC conference.

In the first game of the tournament Hamilton faced Middlebury and lost in 3 games (15-4, 15-3, 15-6). "The team," according to head coach Robin Penoyer, "did not come into this match ready to play." Despite the poor start, Kate Clark '02 tried to pick up the slack, with six kills and no errors in seventeen attempts. Also contributing was Sarah Tschampel '00 who had one ace and two assists along with two kills and one error in nine attempts.

Next up was the very talented Bowdoin. In this match Hamilton was lead by Tschampel who recorded nine kills, two errors in seventeen attempts, a .41 hitting percentage. Kate Clark '02 also pitched in with thirteen kills and six errors in thirty-one attempts.

> **"" Hamilton was unable to carry their momentum from the Bowdoin win into their match with top ranked Williams as they lost 15-2.**

Heather Onderick '02 also contributed to the win with six kills and one error in twenty attempts for a .25 hitting percentage. "In this match we played as a team and came together," said Clark.

Hamilton was unable to carry their momentum from the Bowdoin win into their match with top ranked Williams as they played poorly in the first game losing 15-2. The Lady Continentals lost the second game 18-15, but they played much better as a team by passing the ball better and by being a quicker, scrappier squad.

The next game the Continentals jumped out to a 14-5 lead, but could never get that final point to force the match into a fourth game, and ended up losing the match 16-14.

This match helped to prove a point that Coach Penoyer insists on "that attitude is the key. You are not playing a reputation, you are playing a team." Once the team got going, they realized that they could compete with this team, and they were no longer playing a reputation.

This coming weekend the team looks to come home with a couple of wins in the Hall of Fame Tournament at Smith College.

According Kate Clark '02 the team's goal this weekend "is to start out intense and win the first game of the tournament." If this happens then the team will face Williams, which has been deemed the team to beat.

Hamilton, judging on their performance this past weekend, could very well accomplish another goal and beat Williams, but we will have to wait until this weekend.

Farewell to *The Spectator*

**by Elliott Nix '99
&
Peter Ringel '01**
SPORTS EDITORS

These past two years on the sports staff have been anything but uneventful. I have seen three editor-in-chiefs, three news editors, two feature editors, and several good sports editors throughout my stint as a loyal sports staffer.

Peter and I lost two fine editors in Damon Lopez O'Dwyer '98 and Jeff Goralnick '98. We also lost Santax '98. We have forseen the effects of La Niña, and dealt with rowdy (often crass) softball players. We have felt the rumble of the Potdam offense, and reminisced over the olden days when soccer really meant something and hot dogs cost a dime.

We have averaged a total of ten hours every Thursday for the past four semesters, and this gent is too tired to continue. Magnanimous and scholarly fellows, such as Peter Ringel and Dave Bolger, have chosen to grab the reigns, and steer this beast of a paper into the next milenium. This task is far greater than this reporter, and even Mama Joy. This task must be mounted and slayed like a dragon in medieval times. Every man dies, but not every man truly lives.

Peter and Dave have chosen a a companion on their fantastic voyage in journalism. Elizabeth Crispino '01 is the first woman sports editor in a long time. She is truly a pioneer and her wild, savage spirit will make the sports staff even greater.

Farewell bretheren. Farewell Peter, I have taught ye well. There comes a time in every pupil's life when the mentor must move on. Far thee well and I shall watch and read of your future successes.

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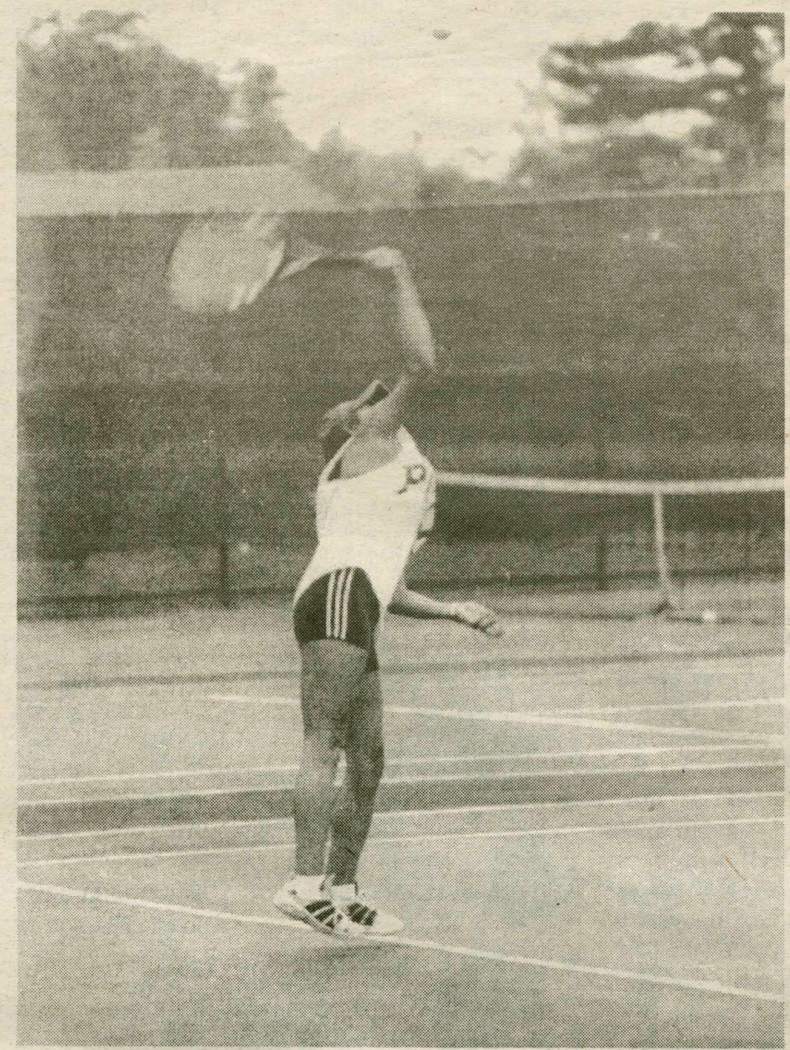

PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01

Jessica Li Shih '01 practices the serve that was so effective during her first single match.

by Elizabeth Crispino '01
SPORTS WRITER

Over the last two weekends, the Hamilton Women's' Tennis team competed in two very important tournaments: the UCAAs and the State Championships. The UCAAs were held on October 10 through the 11, with Hamilton finishing fifth out of eight teams.

In the first round, the Continentals had a tough draw with powerhouse St. Lawrence, and were beaten 5-4. St. Lawrence took the first through third spots, with Hamilton dominating the fourth through sixth spots. It was the doubles matches that clinched the match for St. Lawrence. They took the first two matches, but succumbed to Hamilton in the third match.

In the second round, Hamilton faced a weak Clarkson team, defeating them 9-0. The team played well, closing out their opponents easily in both singles and doubles matches.

In the third round, Hamilton was able to overtake William Smith 7-2 for a fifth place finish. Coach

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Exiles beat Rochester 31-10

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Charles "The Round Mound of Rebound" Lower '00 sprints toward the try zone during a match against Colgate. Chris Plecs '99 looks on from behind.

by Matt Hajduk '99
SPORTS EDITOR

When a team is in first place with a large lead over the second place team, often times the only thing to overcome is complacency. Going into Saturday's match with the University of Rochester, Hamilton held on to a comfortable lead in the Excelsior Eastern Division and looked to be cruising to another trip to the State Championships. The only thing they had to worry about was getting lazy.

Early in the game, it looked as though this was the case. Playing on a smaller than regulation size field, Hamilton seemed to be playing down to Rochester. The Exiles opened the scoring when Derek "Athlete of the Week" Hazard '99 caught the Rats napping on a penalty and quickly passed the ball out to the wing. Charlie Lower '00 caught the pass and bolted into the try zone giving Hamilton the early lead.

Several minutes later, Dave Bolger '99 took a ball out of a 5 meter scrum and scored giving the Exiles 12 point lead. Andrew Orzel '00 converted on the kick, giving Hamilton a 14-0 lead. That's when Hamilton began to let up.

Rochester capitalized on several Hamilton mistakes, drove a maul into the try zone and scored, cutting the Hamilton lead to 14-5 at the half. "We didn't play well at all," Bolger said of the first half, "We made way too many mistakes. We should have been up by fifteen or twenty points."

During the half, Hamilton made several adjustments to their game plan. "Normally our plan is to get the ball out to our backs and let them run," Hazard said, "But with such a small field, we didn't have room to work. We decided to just pound the ball on [Rochester]."

That strategy turned out to be the right one as Hamilton took the ball and drove it down the field and scored early in the second half. Jeff Cournoyer '99 took a pass from Derek Brand '99 and broke through two tackles to score his second try of the season. Cournoyer's try put Hamilton ahead 19-5 but Rochester continued to fight back.

Capitalizing on more Exile mistakes Rochester was able to pin Hamilton back in their own zone and punched in a try. The score cut Hamilton's lead to 19-

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Football team loses game in final seconds

Continentals remain winless after 41-37 loss to Bowdoin

by Peter Ringel '01
SPORTS EDITOR

For the second consecutive week, the football team has lost a game it probably should have won. Unfortunately, the team dropped its fourth straight game, 41-37 to Bowdoin. The game was close throughout; for a large part of the game it appeared as through the Continentals would be victorious.

The Continentals had their shot to win the ball game on a fourth down play in the game's final two minutes. Quarterback Robbie Peters '00 threw a pass to the back of the end zone which bounced off the fingertips of wide receiver Kelby Valenti '99. The ball was thrown a bit high, and it was not clear whether Valenti would have come down with the ball in bounds even if he caught it. But even so, the game should not have come down to the last minute and a half.

Offensively, the Continentals played exceptionally well for the second consecutive week. "The offense was brilliant," said head football coach Steve Frank. "The passing game continued to complement the outstanding running game led by tailback Chris McCarthy '02. McCarthy, has scored two touchdowns in consecutive games. His big play capability has sparked the offense and filled the hole left by running back Karl Knight's departure.

Peters' transformation into one of the strongest quarterbacks in the NESCAC has been astounding. His numbers are among the best in the conference. On the Continentals' first series Peters ran a bootleg and scored on an eleven yard run to put Hamilton up 7-0. The home crowd was ecstatic, as Steuben field was filled to capacity on parent's weekend, and the large crowd knew that Hamilton's defensive unit could hold Bowdoin somewhat in check.

But the Continentals defense remains inconsistent. In the loss to Bowdoin, the defense yielded five plays of 35 yards or more. The defense has let up 55, 48, 24, and now 41 points in their four losses. Those numbers are a bit deceiving because sometimes the opposing team's offense was given very favorable field position, which was set up by a Continental offense mistake. However, most football fans still realize that it is very difficult to win a game when your opponent scores over forty points.

"We can't win if we're giving up five big plays like we did," admitted Frank. When he was pressed as to why the secondary was giving up big plays Frank

PHOTO BY ERIN WATERS '01

Kelby Valenti '99 drops a pass during the final minutes.

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